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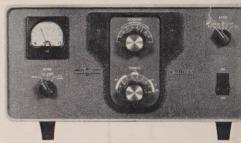
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P until a few short years ago, chasing certificates and award-hunting were the exclusive occupations of the DX man. In most cases, certificates were designed for that breed of amateur, and world-wide band conditions helped generate a need for this type of activity.

As the sunspots start to disappear, however, we find that more and more organizations, on a state and local level are beginning to issue certificates other than of a DX nature. V.h.f., rag chewers, the RTTY gang, etc., are now finding certificates available which fill their diverse interests.

CQ receives each week, information pertaining to many certificates. Most of the awards that pass through the office indicate careful planning. The majority of these represent work of individuals in clubs and organizations throughout the world. Time, as well as a considerable cash outlay is usually evidenced. Some of the certificates, esthetically speaking, are quite beautiful, while others are very simple and unadorned.

Some of the rules presented with these certificates are short, understandable and uncomplicated; others would be difficult to decode by a qualified C.P.A. Some awards are extremely simple to obtain; others are absolutely *impossible*. Ninty-nine per cent of all awards are issued by bonafide clubs with the other one per cent coming from individuals. Many awards symbolize great feats of operating skill, while others have "gag" and "comic" implications.

CQ feels that each award has its own place. IARU proposal \$99, which has recently been ratified by our own member organization, indicates a desire to screen these awards and issue a list of such certificates which will bear official approval of the IARU. In their own words: "the number of awards and certificates at present in circulation are not in the best interest of amateur radio. . ."

We wonder what criteria will be used by the IARU to promulgate such a list. Will only IARU and IARU-affiliated awards qualify? Will those awards that do not succeed in reaching this list be considered as not being in the

interest of amateur radio? We hope not!

Yes—some awards are obviously perpetrated to fulfill an individual ego. Will a list which "99" intends to bring about keep this type of certificate out of circulation? Do these awards really demean amateur radio? We think not!

Well then, what are the factors which spurred the IARU to make this move? Is it possible that many of their awards that previously stood as firm as Gibraltar are now shaking at their foundations? Are they becoming too easy to obtain? Has pride of ownership diminished?

Apparently, these hundreds of newly issued certificates have begun to fill a long-existing gap in the operating routine of the average amateur. CQ, as a free press, now states that any and all certificates will be given ample publicity as received.

It would indeed be a shame to have a turly bonafide award, issued by a reliable organization, fall prey to "99". Would not a stigma of guilt-by-omission be reflected upon this award? Would not the issuing organization be burdened with a stain of misbehavior?

Acceptability of an award can not be regulated to the mere formation of a list. Awards and certificates are not "new countries"; they can not be determined by geographical boundary or political sovereignty. Each must be weighed for its individual merits . . . and who is to say what points are good or bad?

Proposal #99 has the earmarks of a snobbish, self-centered scheme, whereby a few sit as judge and jury for the many.

Does this have a connotation of censorship? Undoubtedly!

It is indeed sad to learn that our member society of the International Amateur Radio Union has fallen for this rather undemocratic and seemingly unimportant document.

"99" is in direct contradiction to democratic principles and we urge they wash their hands of the entire matter.

Are we in need of a list of certificates which Proposal #99 is expected to produce? Yes! Provided no one is overlooked!



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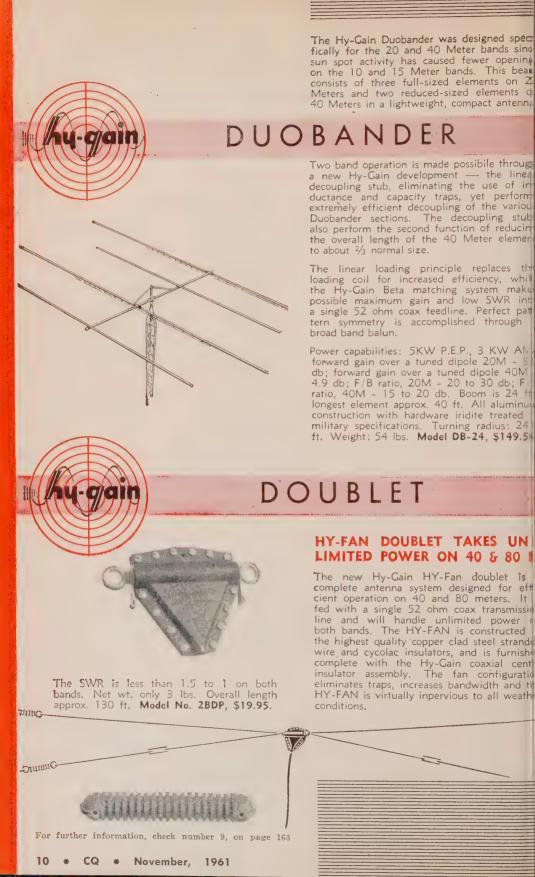
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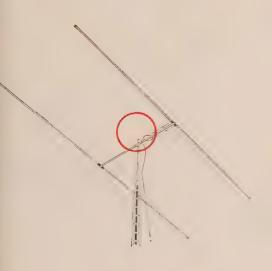
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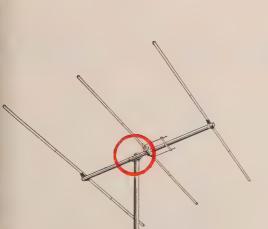
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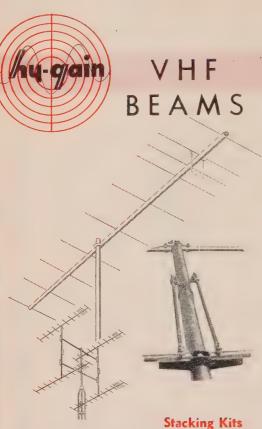
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2 Meter, 10 Elements

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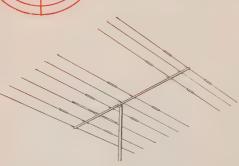
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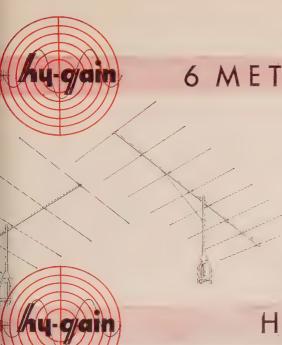
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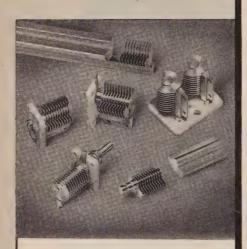
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Many letters were received concerning ZERO BIAS which appeared in the September issue of CQ. Below are two representative samples expressing opposite views. We are extremely sorry that space does not permit publication of all letters received.—[Editor]

To "V"

September Zero BIAS is a confused and confusing editorial, to which I wish to make objection, and the motive for it, I charge as being suspect.

The editorial starts with "It is now apparent." How much time did you permit to pass after ARRL made the "upper 15" suggestion, before you sat down with pen in hand? ARRL waited 15 months before making a suggestion. I very seriously doubt that you waited 30 days to tear it apart. Motive??

Paragraph 3 acknowledges the need for extension of the "upper 50 kc of 20" but you call ARRL to task for the extension in the next paragraph. Confused?

Confusing?

If anything is "unreal, foolish and can lead only to chaotic conditions" it is your paragraph 9. Motive? Confusing? As to the last sentence in that paragraph the Ontario DX Association made just that suggestion

many months ago.
Re: last paragraph; The ARRL conducted a poll to attempt to determine band usage and modes, partial results of which are in September QST and results of which were available to the Board at the time of their decision to recommend the "upper 15" to the fraternity. 15 months passed between the time of the extension of 20 to the time of the suggested "upper 15." If this is a "hasty" decision or a "hasty move," or one made without concrete backing, then what would you determine as a proper adjective for your (hasty) editorial written (hastily) some weeks after ARRL's recommendation?

We credit you with being sensible. Therefore, you are charged with suspect motives in writing Zeroe Bias since a reasonable person, without ulterior motives, would have permitted a decent period of trial of the ARRL suggestion before using Zero Bias and the suggestion before using to zero in on the leading organization of its kind in the world. Zero Bias indeed! What was your motive?

the world. Zero Bias indeed! What was your motive? Is this the type of journalism we want in hamradio? I quote from ZERO BIAS; "further congestion and embarrasment will take place." Because you say so, does that make it true? I find no "further congestions, etc." where in the world do you find it? Back up your statements. You say "The Board voted that U. S. and Canadian amateurs voluntarily refrain from operating on 14.335 to 14.350 kc." This is not true. The ARRL recommended that we refrain from transmitting between those frequencies and there is: transmitting between those frequencies and there is transmitting between those frequencies and there is a tremendous difference between operating and transmitting. Later you say "If we are willing to forego the upper 15 kc." Again, distortion, twisting, bending of the truth with one motive apparent, discrediting the opposition. We were not asked to "forgo" the upper 15 kc. Last paragraph repeats with "—American amateurs to relinquish 15 kc." A professional journalist just cannot repeat this many times, without someone brighter than I catching on, so only one answer is: brighter than I catching on, so only one answer is: left, to us, a very deliberate and professional attempt to sway a segment of the fraternity against, not only the ARRL, but another segment of the fraternity. Shame! We need more cooperation among ourselves: and cannot be helped by an organization which tries to do the oversite. tries to do the opposite.

Three suggestions have been offered by various people to improve DX via s.s.b. Last month [August]

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the MC method was blasted by W2DEC this mod The MC method was blasted by W2DEC this more [September] the "upper 15" was blasted and I word if next month will find the suggestions for "cree banding" made by the Ontario DX Association blass in some part of CQ.

What is behind these "goings on"???

George Goodwin, Jr., KØR3 Deer River, Minnesota

Or Not To "V"

Editor, CQ: Your Zero BIAS comments in September's would appear to have broken the taboo that general shrouds such controversial and political matters in

amateur radio press.

We have been patiently awaiting some editorial pression on the 14 mc segregation-suggestion when US/VE (although the recommendation includes FCC licensed amateurs) would withdraw from top ke of the 14 mc band. Aside from comme urging this segregation, no indication as to what opposite side of the coin might read has been evidence Such a soft-sell exudes aromas akin to Madison Aver

Yours is an appropriate suggestion, that if . "we are willing to forego the upper 15 kc for Do we should relinquish this segment legally. FCC sweated this 50 kc phone expansion for seve years, and only the amateur population explosion w emphasis on the s.s.b. element, under their jurisdicti was the factor that finally brought about the "leg expansion. Were spokesmen for the amateur (a their name is legion) to now request a 15 kc lop- "legally" FCC might unofficially, and with considable justification say: "Do you know just what blazes you want?"

The 50 kc expansion "idea" was not born yesterd but rather was a matter of some 12 long years aboung. At conception of the "idea," US hams number just over 120,000; at delivery in March, 1960, anot 80,000-plus had joined our ranks. In an era marby an everyday commonplace which might be the common to th room to operate. That area from 14,100 kc to 14. kc, now occupied by less than 1% of W/K amatet should give these leaders some concern. Since, neaevery day, 14 mc will carry upwards to 50% of active amateur population, this 100 kc segment show be of great importance. The opinion which appears color the thinking of amateur radio's leaders is to we must remain squeezed into inadequate areas, I we might offend operators in other countries, by panding into areas not NOW being used. Any arm ment that we have a right to retain frequencies when we do not use, i.e. 28,150 kc to 28,500 kc. 14,100 kc to 14,200 kc must necessarily be very street at future International Conventions. Apparently t was done prior to the Atlantic City Convention 1947, when and where we lost 50 kc at the top end 14 mc which had been the pasture wherein the elus DX grazed. This situation which ended in our lo of 50 kc, was an ideal arrangement to a minority the amateur ranks; whose political unawareness exceeded only by their unbalanced attitude that accumulation of new countries is the end of life. In this discourse an attempt is being made to po

up one thing only, which, if the end result comes pass, should be sufficient to alert the fraternity

the perils ahead.

To maintain areas which are legally allocated US amateurs for the express purpose of QRM-fr DX operation is at once selfish, naive, and from with danger. If we ignore history in our formation future frequency-use policy we shall be guilty of myopic approach to a vital matter.

Organizations within the Art who assume the rig to advocate measures contrary to the above stat: policy had better be well fortified to defend the non-useage recommendations beyond the borders their own country, and mainly at International Co

A simple question, fairly asked, "Do we have a rig to frequencies we do not use" should be a part of a [continued on page 122]

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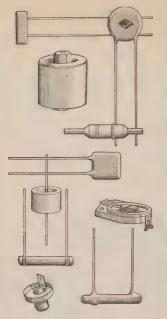
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Duval County—Florida

The North Florida Amateur Radio Society and Jacksonville Amateur Radio Society has jointly awar W4QVJ a trophy for being voted the outstan-amateur in Duval County. The trophy was donates K4YSP and it is expected that the award will con-on a yearly basis. Placing second and third respect were K4PJJ and K4ICD. Nominations were grades a point system involving DX activity, traffic hand station capabilities, amateur education and non-oper activities.

P.V.R.C.
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Amateur Story

If the XYL happens to have her head turned, her October copy of Woman's Day from the kit and have a look at a story written about amateur beginning on page 7. It's mainly about XYL's of co but we're sure everyone will enjoy reading about radio in other than amateur magazines.

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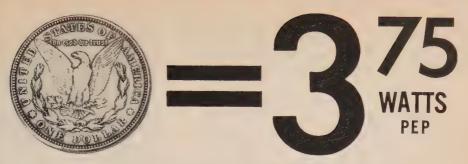
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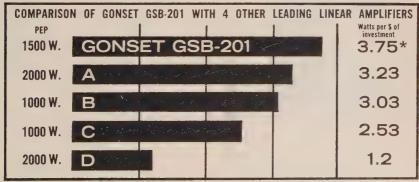


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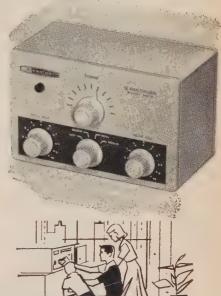
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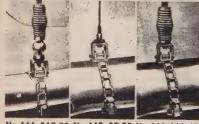
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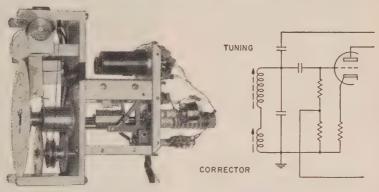
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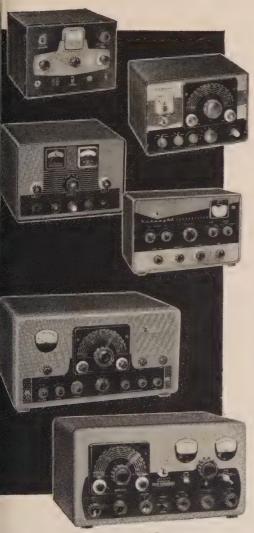
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Crystal Filter Type S.S.B. Exciter

COMMANDER PAUL H. LEE*, USNR, W3JHR

Here is a crystal filter type exciter using surplus crystals in lattice and half lattice circuits. It operates on 80, 40, 20 and 15 meters and has two 6146's in the output. An additional feature is the use of a modified LM (or BC-221) frequency meter as a v.f.o.

y last article1 has brought me many inquiries and comments, both by mail and over the air. Many of these were directed at the exciter used to drive the 4-1000A in the grounded grid zero bias mode. Some ask, "Doesn't this mode require considerable driving power?" Others ask, "How do you couple the driver to the final?" And still others ask for quite complete technical details of the exciter. I am therefore presenting this article for those who are interested in the exciter portion of this transmitter. It is apparent that the exciter is capable of use as a low powered transmitter in its own right, and so this article should also be of interest to those who do not have access to a 4-1000A or to the cash outlay required for a high powered linear and power supply.

To be quite honest, I did not build the original exciter. It was built by my good friend ex W6CAB, but I have made so many changes, rearrangements and improvements in it, that I now feel justifiable pride of authorship concerning it. The exciter can be seen in the photograph of the station. It is the 834" panel with the single meter and various controls, located just above the center of the transmitter rack. The components are mounted on several small

chassis which are arranged to provide a layout with good mechanical and electrical design and easy accessibility for maintenance.

It is not the purpose of this article to provide complete mechanical construction details, but instead, I prefer to provide circuit information and diagrams. I shall also include information on the minor conversion work necessary to make the Navy Model LM Frequency Meterserve as a beautiful little v.f.o. unit for this exciter.

Mechanical Arrangement

Before getting into the details of the circuitry, a look at the photographs will show the mechanical arrangement. At the left end of the exciter is the i.f. chassis, which is $12'' \times 8'' \times 3''$ in size, and is mounted on the panel in an upright position. This results in considerable saving in space. At the right end you see the r.f. chassis, which is $12'' \times 7'' \times 3''$, and is mounted in the conventional horizontal position.

There is a small chassis, $5'' \times 7'' \times 3''$, which holds the vox tubes and relay. This is mounted between the r.f. chassis and i.f. chassis, at the rear. The $5'' \times 6'' \times 3''$ chassis which is mounted on the panel at the front and center portion of the exciter contains the LM frequency doubler, and a crystal oscillator. More will be said of these later. This particular chassis was formerly the original v.f.o. chassis. I took this v.f.o. out upon conversion to the LM, which has much greater stability, excellent accuracy of reset, and fine calibration. Use of the several

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*Lee, Paul H., "Big Brother Linear," CQ, September,
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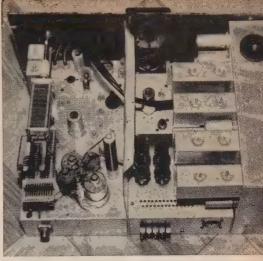
View of W3JHR's operating position. The exciter is located in the rack just above center. The LM frequency meter that serves as the v.f.o. is above the center receiver and the unit to the left is a panadapter. The 51J-2's are operated in diversity reception and the receiver at the right is a surplus RBL which operates from 14.6 to 600 kc.

Top view of the exciter. The chassis on the right is the i.f. section. The gear atop the chassis is fastened to the carrier balance pot and is adjusted from the front through the small hole drilled in the panel. The center rear chassis is the vox unit with controls R₁ and R₂ visible. The barrier strip is for connection to the coax antenna relay and the multi-pin connector to the right is for power input. The center chassis towards the front panel contains the LM doubler and the crystal oscillator for the third mixer. The coaxial connector is for the LM input. The chassis on the left is the r.f. chassis and is fed by the two coaxial cables coming from the i.f. chassis. The two modified i.f. transformers are in the front left corner. The copper neutralizing capacitor may be seen just below the plate blocking capacitor, mounted on a feedthrough insulator. The 6BA7, third mixer, is up near the front panel and the 6CL6 driver is in the center.

chassis provides for a modular type of construction, with shielding between portions of the circuits. All wiring of appreciable length which does not carry r.f. is done with shielded wire. This contributes greatly to the stability of the unit.

Block Diagram

A block diagram of the exciter is shown in fig. 1. A dual sideband signal is generated at 480 kc, and the upper sideband is removed by a two section crystal filter. Sideband reversal takes place in the first mixer whose output frequency is 1750 kc. The second mixer brings in the v.f.o. frequency of 5250 to 5750 kc. The sum or difference of the v.f.o. frequency and 1750 kc is then selected in the bandswitching to give variable output frequency



these bands. It is used as a mixer when on either the 3.5 or 7 mc bands. The third mixer is used as a straight-through amplifier on operating on the 14 or 21 mc bands, with a separate crystal oscillator on either 10.5 or 14 mc providing the injection frequencies for the 14 and 21 mc bands, respectively. The 3.5 mc signal is added to 10.5 mc to give 14 mc output, and the 7 mc signal is added to 14 mc to give 21 mc output. The crystal oscillator functions only when operating on these two bands.

The r.f. signal is then amplified on the desired operating frequency by a single 6CL6 pentode stage, followed by the 6146 output stage. The 6BA7 third mixer and the 6CL6 are bandswitched and gang-tuned with slug tuned coils for tracking. The 6146 stage is arranged so that it can operate with either one or

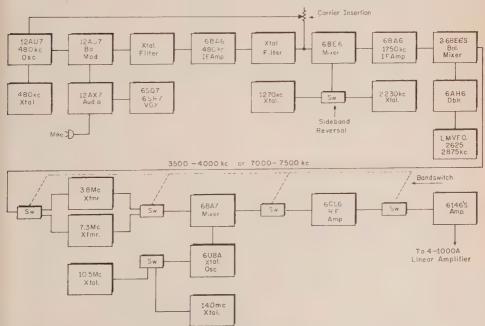
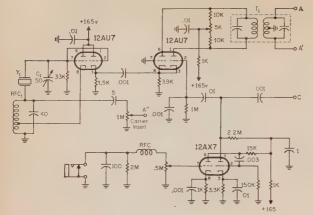


Fig. 1—Block diagram of the s.s.b. exciter. Upper or lower sideband output is available on 3.5, 7, 14 or 21 mc.



2 - Circuit of the oscillator, modulator and audio amplifier, all located on the i.f. chassis. Output at A" is for carrier insert and output C connects to the vox circuit in fig. 9

RFC₁-2.5 mh tapped at the first pie T₁-480 kc i.f. transformer modified as described in the text Y1-480.55 kc, channel 346, FT-241-A

two 6146's in position. Only one is required to drive the 4-1000A final. If the exciter is to be used as a low powered transmitter, by itself, then the additional 6146 is plugged in the extra socket, the 6CL6 plate slugs are re-peaked, and the set is ready to go with double the power output, about 125 watts p.e.p.

The balanced modulator is a 12AU7 in a familiar circuit. I have found it necessary to select tubes in order to obtain the best carrier null. Perhaps if a capacitor balancing arrangement were used in addition to the resistor balance I could obtain a deep null with a greater number of the 12AU7's. However, it is not necessary to change tubes very often, and selection is not a serious drawback.

I. F. Chassis Circuits

The i.f. transformer in the 12AU7 plate circuit is of the conventional type with the center tap added. This was done by carefully drawing out the connecting wire between the pi winding (using a needle) and soldering to it. While this may not be the exact center it is adequate. The 5K control in the plate circuit is the NULL CONTROL. The control is at the top of the i.f. chassis and it is adjusted by the geared wheel that may be seen in the photograph. Once set it is quite stable. The audio tube is a 12AX7 in a two stage

Let us first turn our detailed attention to the circuitry on the i.f. chassis. The master oscillator, balanced modulator, and audio portion are shown in fig. 2. A 12AU7 dual triode is used as a crystal oscillator and cathode follower isolation amplifier. The crystal is one of the FT-241-A low frequency surplus types for channel 346, on 480.55 kc. Its frequency may be adjusted slightly by means of the small variable capacitor, C_1 , in order that the carrier frequency may be properly positioned on the edge of the filter passband.

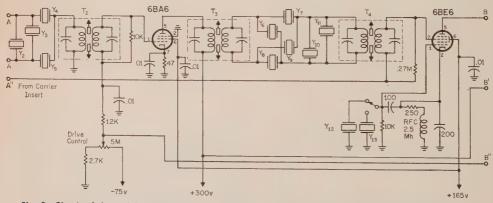


Fig. 3—Circuit of the 480 kc i.f. amplifier, crystal filters and first mixer stage. This mixer accomplishes sideband reversal. The drive control varies the gain of the 6BA6 i.f. amplifier in this circuit and the i.f. amplifier shown in fig. 4.

T₂, T₃, T₄--480 kc i.f. transformers modified as described in the text Y2-Channel 346, FT-241-A Y3-Channel 348, FT-241-A

Y4-Channel 343, FT-241-A

Y5-Channel 345, FT-241-A Y6-Channel 345, FT-241-A

Y7-Channel 343, FT-241-A Y8-Channel 343, FT-241-A

Y9-Channel 345, FT-241-A

Y10-Channel 347, FT-241-A Y11-Channel 349, FT-241-A

Y₁₂-1270 kc

Y₁₃-2230 kc

amplifier which drives not only the balanced modulator but also the vox circuit. This tube provides ample gain for use with a high impedance dynamic or crystal microphone.

The 480 kc i.f. portion of the exciter is shown in fig. 3. The balanced modulator feeds the first section of a crystal filter which uses FT-241-A crystals. Channels 343 and 345, with approximately 2.8 kc spacing, are employed in the series legs of a half-lattice circuit, with channels 346 and 348 in shunt to help knock down the unwanted sideband. The i.f. transformers are standard 455 kc types with a few turns stripped off each winding and adjusted with the grid meter to resonate at 480 kc. A single 6BA6 i.f. amplifier is used to feed the second section of filter.

Again, the i.f. transformers are standard types with turns removed to resonate at 480 kc. I had sufficient crystals to make a full lattice, with channels 343 and 345, with channels 347 and 349 in shunt to further reduce the unwanted sideband. Here the shunt crystals are on the output side of the filter which gave better rejection than putting them across the input.

The next stage is the 6BE6 first mixer. It is here that sideband reversal is accomplished. The 6BE6 oscillator section is crystal controlled with either a 1270 kc or 2230 kc crystal. The sum of 480 and 1270 kc is 1750 kc. Also, 2230 minus 480 kc equals 1750 kc. Thus, the crystal switch is the sideband selector.

Figure 4 shows the 1750 kc i.f. stage and the balanced mixer where the v.f.o. injection occurs. The i.f. transformers are standard 1500 kc types, with turns removed to give resonance at 1750 kc.

The tapped transformer, T_6 , is modified by the same technique used for T_1 in the balanced modulator. The number 3 grids of the 6BE6 mixers are driven in push-pull with the 1750 kc signal. The v.f.o. signal is applied to the number 1 grids in parallel. The 6BE6 plates feed in push-pull (through two short pieces of coaxial cable, to the bandswitch on the r.f. chassis.

The drive control is a 0.5 megohm potentiometer which varies the fixed bias on the two 6BA6 amplifier stages. This is shown in fig. 3.



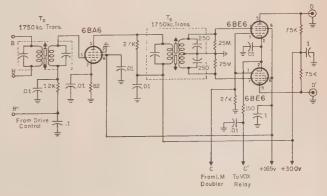
Side view of the i.f. chassis. Note the careful compartmentation. This is an absolute must if a clean and stable signal is desired. The variable capacitor in the upper right corner is C_1 in fig. 2 and is used to set the oscillator on the correct position of the bandpass curve of fig. 10. Note the crystals in each of the filter compartments. The chassis bottom is covered by aluminum screening to complete the shielding.

Carrier re-insertion in this exciter is accomplished, when desired, by means of a potentiometer on the i.f. chassis which allows some of the 480 kc master oscillator output to be fed around the crystal filters and directly into the first mixer grid circuit.

R. F. Chassis

Turning our attention now to the r.f. chassis shown in fig. 5, the output of the second mixer goes through the band change switch which selects one of two r.f. transformers, one tuned to about 3.8 mc and the other tuned to about 7.3 mc. These were standard 4.5 mc i.f. transformers which were rewound and slightly overcoupled to give a fairly broad bandpass. Thus, by means of the band switch and one or the other of these transformers, either the 3.5 or the 7 mc output of the second mixer can be selected to feed into the third mixer. This stage

Fig. 4—Circuit of the 1750 kc i.f. stage and the balanced mixer stage. The output from the LM doubler (fig. 7) is applied to point C. Outputs from D and D' are fed to the bandswitch through coaxial cable. Modification of T_6 is described in the text.



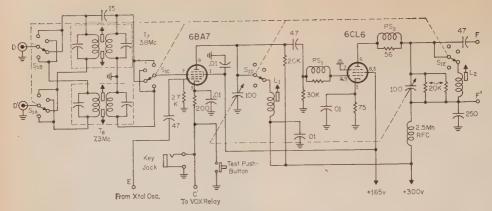


Fig. 5—Circuit of the r.f. section of the exciter. The 6BA7 acts as a straight through amplifier for 3.5 and 7 mc and as a mixer when operating on 14 or 21 mc. The mixing signal, fed to point E, is obtained from the crystal oscillator of fig. 7. The 6BA7 and 6CL6 outputs have individual slug tuned coils for each band.

PS₁ PS₂-4t #22E on 56 ohm 1 watt carbon resistor T₇-4.5 mc i.f. transformer with turns added and increased coupling

is a 6BA7 which operates straight through without any injection signal on the 3.5 and 7 mc bands. A 10.5 or 14 mc injection signal from the crystal oscillator is used when operating on 14 or 21 mc respectively. These crystals have trimmers for precise adjustment of operating frequency. The 6BA7 output is bandswitched, with slug tuned coils, as is the following 6CL6. These coils are wound on National XR-50 slug tuned forms and the number of turns is selected to resonate on the desired band. Reference should be made to standard coil charts. A dual section variable tuning capacitor is used to resonate the 6BA7 and 6CL6 stages.

Output Stage

The output stage uses either one or two 6146's as desired, and they operate in parallel, as shown in fig. 6. If only one tube is required

T₈-10.7 mc i.f. transformer with turns removed and increased coupling.

S₁-Bandswitch, 5 section, 4 position ceramic wafer

for driving a high powered final amplifier, the second 6146 is merely pulled from its socket. Slight readjustment of the 6CL6 plate slugs is required.

The 6146 plate circuit is a homemade multiband tank, covering from 3.5 to 21 mc with one set of coils and one double section tuning capacitor. The output link is series tuned to provide a wide range of loading adjustments. A 12" length of RG-8/U coaxial cable connects the output jack to the jack on the final amplifier.

Parasitic suppressors are required in the grid and plate circuits of the 6146's and the 6CL6. These suppressors are 56 ohm 1 watt carbon resistors with 4 turns of #22 wire wound around each resistor. The plate tank circuit of the 6BA7 third mixer is loaded by a 2 watt 20,000 ohm carbon resistor, and that of the 6CL6 is loaded with two of the same resistors

Fig. 6-Circuit of the final r.f. stage. Two 6146's are shown but only on is used when driving the linear.

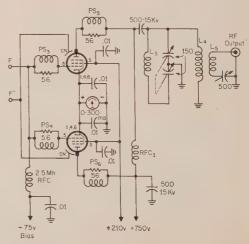
 C_N -Sheet cooper, 4" \times 1" mounted about $\frac{1}{2}$ " from the 6146's. L₃-12t #12E, 1" diam, 134" long

L4-19t #12E, 1" diam, 2" long

L5-51/21 #12E, 11/2" diam, 34" long

PS₃, PS₄, PS₅, PS₆-4t #22E on 56 ohm 1 watt carbon resistor

RFC1-B&W Model 800 r.f.c.



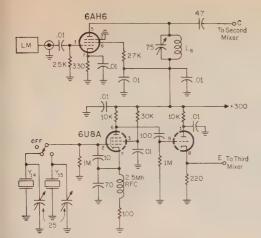


Fig. 7—Circuits of the doubler stage fed by the LM frequency meter and the crystal oscillator used for the third mixer stage in fig. 5. There is no r.f. connection between the two circuits. They merely share a chassis.

Y₁₄-10.5 mc

Y₁₅-14 mc

L6-15t #24E, 1/2" diam, 1" long, resonant at 5.5 mc

in parallel, to provide swamping for good linearity and very stable operation.

LM Doubler and Crystal Oscillator

Figure 7 shows the LM doubler stage and the 10.5 or 14 mc crystal oscillator. They are shown together because they are located together on the small chassis at the front of the unit. However, they have no r.f. connection with each other and their internal wiring is kept as separate as possible. The LM output on 2625 to 2875 kc is doubled by the 6AH6 stage to give the required injection frequency of 5250 to 5750 kc for the second mixer. The 6U8A pentode section is the 10.5 or 14 mc crystal oscillator, and the triode section is a cathode follower isolation stage which feeds the third mixer. On 3.5 and 7 mc, the crystal switch is in an "off" position.

LM Conversion

What I am going to say now regarding conversion of the Navy LM Frequency Meter will also apply to the Signal Corps BC-221 Frequency Meter. There are many of these two types in amateur stations, and with or without their calibration books they make excellent v.f.o.'s. In my case I added a small outboard power supply and mounted the unit on a standard 8¾" rack panel. A hole for an SO-239 coaxial connector was cut in the rear of the LM cabinet.

The filament circuit was changed quite easily from 12 volt series to 6 volt parallel operation by shorting out the 20 ohm resistor, R_{113} , in the 76 filament circuit, and by moving one filament lead on the 6A7 socket and connecting

that terminal to ground.

The next step was to provide increased output from the LM oscillator. Refer to fig. 8 Plate resistor R_{104} , 56,000 ohms, in the 77 oscillator circuit, was removed. This resistor is accessible through the two openings in the left end of the LM chassis. A standard 2.5 mh r.f. choke was installed in its place. It will fit in the space available. A lead from the plate end of the choke was then brought out to a 200 mmf blocking capacitor. A small, fixed tuned pi-network was installed at the rear of the chassis just behind the 77 tube. Its circuit constants are shown in the diagram. The number of turns in the coil was adjusted, by reference to the station grid dip meter, to resonate at about 2775 kc. The coaxial connector was installed using fairly heavy wire to make it sufficiently self supporting so that it fitted properly into the hole in the rear wall as the unit was pushed into the cabinet. The connector was the fastened to the cabinet by inserting 6-32 screws into holes tapped in the flange of the connector. The output from the LM was then sufficient to drive the 6AH6 doubler to full output over the entire 500 kc range from 5250 to 5750 kc. The modifications to the LM in no way affect its stability, nor do they affect its usefulness as a frequency meter or signal generator when it is not being used as a v.f.o.

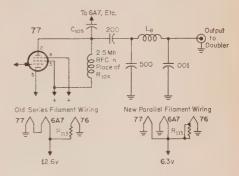


Fig. 8—Modifications made in the filament and output circuit of the LM so that it may be used as a v.f.o. This does not preclude its use as a frequency meter also. Inductance L_8 is 22 turns of #22E, 1" diameter, 1" long.

VOX Circuit

The vox stages are shown in fig. 9. A 6SQ7 amplifier is used to fully drive a 6SR7 which is used as a self-biasing rectifier. The vox relay is normally pulled in, but releases during talking. One set of vox relay contacts opens the d.c ground cathode returns of the second and third mixer stages when not talking, providing complete cutoff of carrier or any small mixer products which might leak through to produce interference in the local receiver. A second set of contacts on this relay operates the coaxial antenna changeover relay in the transmitter and the receiver silencing relay in the 51J-2



Front panel view of the exciter. The control functions are: Left top, Carrier Injection; center, Sideband Selector; bottom, Audio Gain. To the left of the Audio Gain Control is the mike jack. To the right of the Sideband Selector is the I.F. Gain control. Along the bottom row, to the right of the Audio Gain are,

receiver. The operating threshold and hold time of the vox are adjusted by means of the potentiometers R_1 and R_2 respectively.

Power Supply

The exciter is powered from a supply which gives 750 volts plate voltage and 210 volts regulated screen voltage for the 6146's, 300 volts and 165 volts for the low-powered stages, a fixed negative bias of 75 volts for the 6146's and 6.3 volts for the filaments. Some of the bias is also bled off and fed to the drive control for the 6BA6's. The pair of 6146's can be driven up to 275 ma plate current with maximum carrier insertion. Resting current is about 30 ma and a single 6146 will show one half of these readings.

The total filament power required, using two 6146's, is 7.35 amps at 6.3 volts. The plate supply should be capable of giving 750 volts at 275 ma for the 6146's, and 300 to 350 volts at 200 ma for the low power stages. The 6146 screen voltage is obtained from the 350 volt

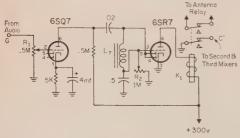


Fig. 9—Circuit of the vox stages. The audio signal, applied to G, is obtained from point C in fig. 2. Controls R_1 and R_2 adjust operating threshold and hold time.

 K_1 —Potter Brumfield LM-11, 10 K coil L_7 —4.5 h @ 50 ma. Stancor C-1706

the Crystal Oscillator switch; LM Doubler tuning, dummy knob, 6BA7-6CL6 Tuning and the Bandswitch. The upper right is the Output Link Loading and just below it is the 6146 plate tuning. To the left is the vox override switch. The meter is in the cathodes of the 6146's.

supply, using a dropping resistor and two VR-105's in series to hold it at 210 volts. The dropping resistor should be of such value that the VR105's do not extinguish during modulation. The 165 volts for the screen of the low power stages is obtained from a voltage divider on the 350 volt line and is not regulated. The 75 volt bias supply is obtained from a small 6.3 volt filament transformer, hooked up backwards and fed from the 6.3 volt filament circuit, in conjunction with a selenium rectifier and a VR75 tube. This supply must be regulated, to hold the grid bias on the 6146's steady.

Alignment

The i.f. strip should be aligned to obtain the curve shown in fig. 10. Since the crystal frequency rests on the edge, 480.55 kc, care must be taken to get the proper curve, particularly if the crystal oscillator is used as the signal source. A sweep alignment using a sweep generator and oscilloscope would be ideal but it can be accomplished with the LM frequency meter also.

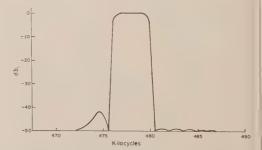
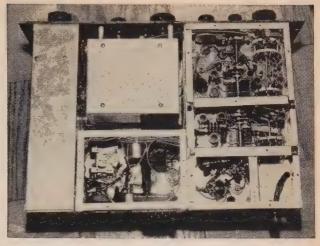


Fig. 10—Response curve of the 480 kc i.f. when properly adjusted.

Bottom view of the chassis shows the r.f. section on the right. Note the dividers between the third mixer, driver and final stages. This is covered by aluminum mesh to complete the shielding.



The LM, set up as a low frequency signal generator, may be fed into the i.f. strip and output measurements can be made with a v.t.v.m. and a diode probe at the required points. The LM frequency can then be shifted across the if. bandpass and the output plotted. The slug tuned coils in the r.f. stages can be set roughly with a grid dip meter, and then peaked to full output with the LM in the v.f.o. mode driving the exciter.

Operation

The controls on the front panel of the exciter are: CARRIER INJECTION, SIDEBAND SE-LECTOR, AUDIO GAIN, DRIVE CONTROL, CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR SWITCH, DOUBLER TUNING, dummy knob (for appearance), R.F. TUNING, BAND-SWITCH, OUTPUT TUNING, OUTPUT LOADING, and VOX OVERRIDE SWITCH.

In spite of the number of front panel controls, the exciter is very easy to use. In operation, on one band, it hardly requires any adjustment. Some retouching of tuning is required in shifting from 3.8 to 4 mc, but on the other bands no retouching is required. In changing bands only six controls are moved; the BANDSWITCH, the CRYSTAL OSCILLATOR SWITCH, the R.F. TUNING, the OUTPUT TUNING, the OUT-PUT LOADING, and the SIDEBAND SELECTOR.

The Japanese vernier dials, purchased from Lafayette Radio, are used on some controls. These are set to pre-calibrated positions by reference to a tuning chart which is mounted on the front of the transmitter. All the other controls, once set for a band, are normally left alone during operation. The sideband reversal switch may be operated as desired. Retuning of the complete transmitter to the pre-calibrated settings for another band, and remotely switching the four-band antenna has been timed at about 35 seconds.

A microphone jack and key jack are also provided on the front panel. The meter is in the 6146 cathode circuit, and it is one of the very fine 0-1 ma 3" square Japanese meters currently being sold by Lafayette Radio for \$3.95 each. I carefully drew a 0-300 ma scale for it, and put a shunt of nichrome resistance wire across the meter terminals, calibrating it to 300 ma full scale reading. I might say in passing that the three meters in the final amplifier are now of the same type, re-calibrated for the desired ranges. They add much to the appearance of the transmitter.

It will be noted that no provision is made for operation in the 28.5 to 29.7 mc band. I did not feel it worthwhile to do so. It can be done with an additional crystal in the crystal oscillator, an additional bandswitch position, and

the proper slug tuned coils.

Conclusion

This exciter gives excellent service, and puts out a beautifully clean signal. It was cleaned of every possible bit of distortion by the simple means of playing hi-fi music through it into a dummy load, listening to it on the 51J-2 receiver, and making the required adjustments. If there is anything that will show up distortion immediately it is listening to Freddy Martin's orchestra, Julie London singing, or a good organ record through this unit. I spent many hours adjusting cathode bias resistors, grid and plate loading resistors, and anything else that could contribute to distortion, with the result that I can proudly say that the unit is clean! On-the-air results prove this also, with wonderful signal quality reports from all stations contacted.

I wish all of you good luck in building this exciter. I personally find much pleasure and pride of workmanship in building a piece of fine equipment such as this, in preference to buying a new commercial unit off a dealer's shelf. The design and construction is an interesting challenge. I know what I have when I'm finished, and I know that it is right. For those of you who wish to write for further information, I will be glad to answer inquiries. Please include a stamped envelope.

Improving The Link 2365 and 2210

BY WARREN RUDOLPH*, W4OHM

The Link wide-band f.m. transmitter-receiver units are excellent buys on the surplus market. The 2365 can operate from 27 to 54 mc and the 2210 from 152 to 174 mc. The transmitter modifications kits are listed and the receiver modifications are described in detail.

ECENTLY a large number of the very excellent Link 2365 and 2210 transmitter receiver units have become available at rather attractive prices. These units were originally designed for use in wide band f.m. servive by police, commercial and industrial users. When used in the wide band systems for which they were designed they were capable of excellent performance, equaling, and in many cases exceeding, the performance of any other equipment of comparable price and vintage. However, when used in systems operating under the new narrow band regulations they suffer from several shortcomings. Fortunately the transmitter shortcomings have been taken care of by the manufacturer and his successor in the form of modification kits1 which are readily available at reasonable cost. These consist of splatter choke and low pass filter kits for the transmitter speech amplifier, deviation limiting kits for the f.m. modulator and low pass filter kits for the r.f. output. However, on the receiver end very little has been done toward working out any thorough modification to improve the audio recovery and receiver i.f. gain. This, then, is the purpose of this article.

Description of Units

The 2365 is an f.m. transmitter-receiver unit capable of operation on the 10 meter band with no conversion whatsoever and, with very minor modifications, can be operated in the 6 meter band. It can also provide excellent performance on any other frequency in the 27 to 54 mc range. These units have a rated transmitter power output of 30 watts and a receiver sensitivity of well under ½ microvolt.

The 2210 is designed for service in the 152-174 mc band but is also capable of operation in the 2 meter band with very minor modifications. This unit has a frequency modulated output of 10 watts and a receiver sensitivity of under ½ microvolt. These units are normally supplied for use on 6 volts d.c. but are converted to a.c. operation by the simple ad-

dition of a power supply which consists of nothing more than a transformer, rectifier, relay, capacitor and fuse. This unit is shown schematically in fig. 1. The relay, K_1 , is tripped whenever the push-to-talk button is depressed. This raises the a.c. input to the power supply when the load is heaviest. When the handset button is released the load decreases and K_1 returns to the normal input. Conversion to 12 volts is a simple matter and the manufacturer has wisely provided conversion kits at very reasonable cost.

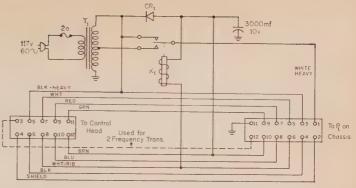
Commercial broadcast stations are not interested in narrow bandwidth but in audio fidelity and output level. The modifications described first will result in about a 2 to 1 gain in audio as well as a vast increase in fidelity. The improvements gained will of course, also be equally valuable to the amateur, civil defense or commercial operators. The other described modifications will result in about a 50% increase in the audio recovery from the discriminator and also in about a 20% increase in the gain of the i.f. strip. It will also considerably narrow the pass band of the i.f. strip with consequent improved rejection of



View of the Link 2210 showing the chassis, chassis cover and control head. The Jones plug on the chassis is for connection to the control head. The 2365 unit is identical in size but slightly different in appearance,

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Fig. 1—Circuit of the power supply used to operate either the 2365 or the 2210 from the a.c. line. The cable shown is used to connect the control head to the main chassis. When this circuit is employed the vibrator is removed and pin 2 of the vibrator socket must be grounded.



CR₁—Seienium Rectifier, 2A. Link #4H1B2. K₁—Relay 6 volt, Link #204AM-LH6.

adjacent channel interference. When all 3 modifications have been performed, the receivers audio recovery and output will be 3 to 4 times what it was before and the pass band will have been nearly cut in half.

Increasing Audio Output

A glance at the partial schematic of fig. 2, the 2210, and fig. 3, the 2365-ed2a, will show the general schematic layout of these two units and the basic similiarity between the 2365 and the 2210. The following description refers to the 2210:

The discriminator output passes through resistor R_{53} , which is 220,000 ohms in some units and 100,000 ohms in others. It is then bypassed to ground through C_{84} , a 3900 mmf capacitor which drains off a good percentage of the audio as well as seriously attenuating the high frequency component. From here it passes through R54 which is a 100,000 ohm resistor and is then connected to R_{55} , the 250,000 ohm volume control. On some models this is also shunted by C_{85} , a 2,000 mmf capacitor which further attenuates the audio. A little arithmetic will quickly reveal that the total audio appearing across the volume control and available to drive the audio stages is considerably less than half of the total actually available from the discriminator.

Locate and remove resistor R₅₃, 100K or

220K depending upon the model. Now wire in a jumper across the terminals where R₅₃ was connected, thus completing the circuit. Also

T₁-8 volts tapped at 6 volts 20 amperes, Link #TR-

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in a jumper across the terminals where R_{53} was connected, thus completing the circuit. Also remove C_{84} , the .0039 mf capacitor. If your model has a .002 mf capacitor, C_{85} , connected across the volume control, remove it also.

Increasing the Discriminator Audio Recovery Ratio

As the unit is originally supplied, resistors R_{51} and R_{52} , the discriminator load resistors, are each 100,000 ohms. To provide an improvement at this point, remove these resistors and replace them with two 470,000 ohm ½ watt carbon resistors. Check several 470,000 ohm resistors with an ohm-meter and replace these with two that are matched as closely as possible to assure discriminator balance. The audio recovery for a given signal input and deviation will now be at least 50% greater than before.

Improving I.F. Bandpass

With the chassis upside down and the antenna and power plug end facing you, locate the bottom of T_{10} , which is located directly behind the selenium rectifier. Remove the nuts from the studs holding this transformer to the chassis. Now turn the unit right side up and remove the two nuts from the top of the transformer can marked T_{10} and remove the can. (Note that the side of this can marked BAL is

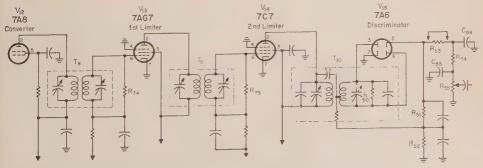


Fig. 2—Partial schematic of the 2210 i.f. and discriminator. All modifications are made in the second i.f. strip of the double superheterodyne and the discriminator.

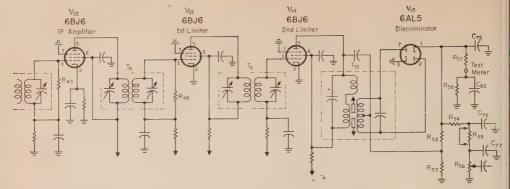


Fig. 3—Partial schematic of the 2365 ED 2-A i.f. and discriminator. This model uses miniature type tubes rather than the locktal series. Note the similar circuitry compared to the 2210. The following components are removed: R₄₀, R₄₈, R₅₅, C₇₆, C₇₇. Resistors R₅₂ and R₅₃ are changed to a matched pair of 470K units.

toward the outside of the chassis. Replace it in this position when through with the following operation) Now locate R_{50} , a 47,000 ohm resistor soldered between the upright support wires of T_{10} on the side next to the outer edge of the chassis. If V_{15} , the 7A6, is removed it will be easier to cut R_{50} loose with a pair of side cutting pliers. Remove and discard R_{50} and reassemble the transformer can, being certain to mount the can with the BAL side toward the outer edge of the chassis.

Again with the chassis upside down and the plug and antenna end facing you, locate the bottom of T_9 , the 2nd limiter i.f. transformer. Looking down the center of the chassis the first tube is the 7C7, second limiter. Immediately behind this is transformer T_9 . Note that a wire runs from pin 6 of V_{14} , the 7C7 2nd limiter, to the high side of the secondary winding of this transformer and that R_{75} , a 100,000 ohm resistor, is connected directly across the secondary. Remove this resistor and discard it.

Immediately behind T_9 is V_{13} , the 1st limiter, and just behind the center partition and to the rear of Y_{13} is T_8 . The first limiter grid transformer. Connected directly across the secondary of this transformer is R_{74} which is a 68,000 ohm resistor in some models and 220,000 ahms in other models. Remove and discard this resistor.

Turn the unit right side up and with a strong signal being received from the station which the unit will noramlly be required to receive, carefully rock the BAL adjustment for zero reading on a 0-50 or 0-100 microammeter the positive terminal of which is grounded to the chassis and with the negative terminal connected to pin 2 of the metering socket, J_2 . (Remember you are reading the socket from the top and therefore you must read counter clockwise rather than clockwise as you would from the bottom.) Now connect a signal generator to the first mixer grid and carefully rock the signal generator to zero reading on the discriminator. Make certain that the signal and rejection of adjacent channel interference. generator is thoroughly warmed up so that its will not drift while you are completing the rest of the alignment. Now insert the negative lead from the microammeter into pin 4 of the metering socket after having switched to a slightly higher scale. Be certain to lower the signal generator input to the point where it just overides the noise and carefully adjust the primary and secondary of T_9 for maximum reading. Repeat this adjustment several times as the primary and secondary will interact to some extent.

Next switch the microammeter back to 0-50) or 0-100 range and insert the negative lead into pin 3 of the metering socket. Carefully adjust the primary and secondary of T₈, T₇, T₆ and T₅ for maximum reading. Repeat the adjustments several times as some interaction will be noted. Be careful to keep the signal generator input just high enough to quiet the background noise. Before leaving this step, recheck the signal generator to make sure that it is still zeroed on the discriminator secondary pass band and then recheck against the station you plan to receive to make certain that it also still reads zero center on the meter connected from pin 2 to ground on the metering socket. If these tests check out, then the i.f. strip is accurately aligned. If not, repeat the alignment procedure.

Once the above has been checked out, remove the signal generator and with only the antenna and set noise riding through, the discriminator output reading should stay within plus or minus 2 microamperes of zero center. If it does not, then the i.f. pass band is not accurately centered on the discriminator and the alignment procedure should be repeated. Maximum sensitivity, maximum audio recovery and maximum signal to noise ratio cannot be achieved unless the discriminator is accurately centered on the carrier. Removal of these 3 loading resistors will very noticeably increase the i.f. gain and will provide a very worthwhile improvement in receiver bandwidth and rejection of adjacent channel interference.

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A One Tube Electronic Keyer

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A simple keyer, neither complex nor expensive, suitable for the amateur wanting to "wet his feet" in electronic keyer operation.

Por 2 years I have been searching for a decent, inexpensive, electronic keyer. I built a few as described in various amateur publications, but was never satisfied with them. Buying one of many good ones on the market was out of the question because of the large outlay of cash. Then I spotted this unit which was modified slightly, mostly cut and try, until I came up with this circuit.

The relays were chosen because they were inexpensive. The Potter Brumfield LB5 relays cost about \$2.50 a piece, and the Sigma relay about \$1.85. With a reasonably well stocked junk box, it will cost very little to build this.

To make this keyer operate quietly (and it does) I used by XYL's sponge rubber powder puffs which cost about 10 cents a piece, for mounting the relays. Using an all purpose cement I glued them to the chassis.

I'm using a power supply I had on hand which delivers about 175 volts. The keyer will operate well at any voltage from about 175 to 300 volts. It would probably work well on 150 volts but I never tried it.

This keyer has been in operation in my shack practically every night for a year and a half with absolutely no trouble at all, and it keys beautifully.

Adjustment

Adjustment is easy; turn on the power supply, turn speed control, to about 8 or 10 w.p.m.; press dot side, and if you wired it up ok and *8 Laurel Street, Floral Park, N.Y.

nothing is cooking, you should hear the dots. Try the dashes. Then adjust the various controls until you get it where you think the timing is right. There is a slight interlocking of controls, but once set, they will not have to be touched again.

Speed range is adjustable from 5 w.p.m. to as fast as you can use it. In fact it is much faster than I can think. The ratio over these extreme ranges, I have been told over the air, is very good.

Some fellows find a keyer much easier to use if you key it as you would a bug, as I do. I find this keyer extremely easy to use as compared to others I have tried.

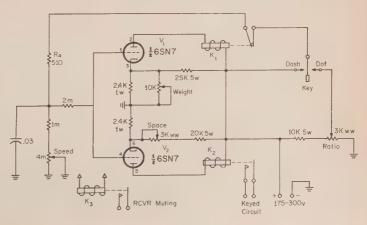
Muting

I also discovered, that by placing K_3 in parallel with K_1 I had a f.b. break-in system, for my SX 111. I place the contacts across the muting terminals of the receiver, and used a separate antenna for receiving. When the key is touched, the receiver goes to stand by and remains there until there is a slight pause in sending (about 1 second) and then will come back on again.

With a little practice you will find you can send perfect code. So don't be discouraged, let's have some good c.w. men again.

Have fun building it, and more fun operating it. I key this setup with my bug, which involves a little modification. If you don't want to do that, you might build a key for it. Also there are ones on the market that you can buy.

Fig. 1—Circuit of a single tube electronic keyer. Relays K_1 and K_2 are 2.5K Potter and Brumfield LB5 and K_3 is Sigma 11F-9000G. Relay K_3 is optional and when paralleled with K_1 may be used for break-in.



Photocopying Magazine Articles

BY E. H. MARRINER*, W6BLZ

This article describes a method of photocopying magazine pages for filing or reference purposes. It involves a little bit of electronics, mechanics, carpentry and plastics and therefore should be an interesting project for the home workshop.

NYONE having an extensive collection of magazines will agree that locating articles 10 and 15 years old can sometimes be a problem. For convenience, filing technical articles in folders, cataloged and cross referenced, is the simple solution to the problem.

There was only one company that manufactured a suitable copying machine which would permit different sized magazines to be reproduced. This machine, however, was very expensive

This article describes a step-by-step procedure for constructing a home made copying machine which results in a copied page as good or better than the commercial unit.¹

The Process

This process is a Photo Rapid Copy method using Gavaert sensitive negative paper and nonsensitive positive paper. A light box covered with a ground glass is used as the light source and after the paper has been exposed, it is placed in a solution and then squeezed, removing the excess developer. The positive and negative paper are separated and a perfect reproduction of the printed page is made.

Light Box

Figures 1 illustrates the dimensions of the light box which was constructed from $\frac{1}{2}$ " plywood. For simplicity a standard 7×19 " rack panel was used for the front of the unit. This allows easy mounting of controls and provides a sturdy and attractive unit. Handles can be mounted on the sides making the copier easily transportable.

A quarter inch moulding was mounted on all three walls of the wooden box which supports the ½" thick ground glass. The front edge of the glass rests on the metal panel for support. The ground glass in this case measures 12½ × 18 inches and can be obtained from most paint stores. Milk or opal-type glass is more expensive and does not do any better a job of diffusing the light.

The box was nailed and glued and after it was finished several coats of white enamel paint was applied to the interior. Then eight porcelain light sockets were secured to the bottom, equally spaced as shown in fig. 1.

The 40 watt light bulbs used in the light box are especially made for this purpose. They are manufactured in Switzerland and imported from Belgium by the Pacific Copy Corp., El Segundo, California. If you write to them they will tell you where your nearest dealer is located. These bulbs are coated with a special material *inside* the bulb and after trying ordinary household light tubes, special decoration bulbs and insect repellent bulbs I came to the conclusion there is no substitute for the imported variety. These special bulbs are a little more costly than the ordinary 40 watt light bulb but they are certainly worth the extra cash outlay.

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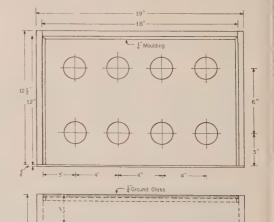
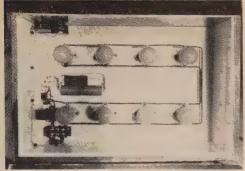


Fig. 1—Construction details for the light box. The ground glass must be 12½ × 18 × ½ inches in size. The box is constructed of ½" plywood and a standard relay rack panel is used for the front.

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¹There are certain legal or official documents which cannot be copied. It is suggested that proper authorization be obtained if there is any doubt about such matters.—Ed.



Top view of the light box showing bulb spacing and timer component location.

masonite cover was split and fastened together with a piano hinge. A piece of felt, 3/8" thick was glued to the underside of the hinged cover to provide a soft base which is used to smooth down any wrinkled pages which may not reproduce properly.

Timing Circuit

The required exposure time is quite critical and a method of accurate exposure calculation is required. An ordinary stop watch and toggle switch can be used, but for large amounts of copy work an automatic system is much superior.

A simple timing circuit, shown in fig. 2, can be made by rectifying the a.c. line voltage which charges a high value capacitor. When the switch is opened the capacitor discharges through relay K_1 . The length of time the relay stays closed can be varied between 2 and 7 seconds with a potentiometer shunted across the relay. The dial of the potentiometer can be calibrated in seconds for easy exposure of different tones of paper.

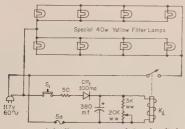


Fig. 2—Timer and bulb circuit used in the light box. The relay, K_1 , should have a coil resistance in the area of 30K as explained in the text. The switch may be either a push button type or a toggle. A toggle was used by the author to enable the light box to be used for viewing negatives and tracings.

The relay coil should have as high a resistance as possible. The relay resistance will determine the capacitor value of the R/C network. A surplus relay was used here with a resistance of 27,000 ohms. If a relay is used with a lower resistance than indicated, the capacitor value will have to be increased from 380 mf as shown in fig. 2.



Front view of the light box. The cover is split and fastened with a piano hinge to facilitate duplicating smaller size copy.

The processing of the paper may be done in a developing tray and the squeezing operations may be done with a hand operated clothes wringer. It is, however, more convenient to use a motor driven set of rollers.

Rubber rollers may be obtained from a printing or photographic supply shop. Since the rollers available are not likely to be the same, no physical dimensions are given.

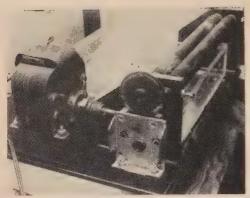
The rollers used were made of soft rubber 34" in diameter and ten inches long. They were discarded by a printing shop because they were bowed in the center. By careful sandpapering they were aligned sufficiently for use in the copier.

The roller mechanism has to draw an eleven inch length of paper through the developing solution in 15 to 20 seconds. It was found, by experimentation, that a 1250 r.p.m. motor (#YAR368-International Radio and TV, 2722 W. Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles, California), with a worm reduction gear from the ARC-5 transmitter, drove the roller at about the proper speed. The motor driven roller is coupled to the second roller by a set of one to one gears (Boston Y-3228). The teeth on these gears were filed for a loose fit to enable the second roller be adjusted for the proper tension and still rotate.

The casting, housing the worm gear shaft, should be reamed out one thousandth to prevent binding when it heats during prolonged use.

The developing tray shown in fig. 3 is made from ½ "lucite cemented together with methyl chloride daubed on with a brush. The sections are also secured with 4-40 machine screws after cementing. When the box is completed, place a few drops of methyl chloride inside and roll it around to seal the seams.

The curved paper guide was formed by softening the plexiglass over a rod shaped heater. When plyable it was bent over a curved surface and held in place until it hardened. The paper guide separators are also cemented in place with a ½" spacing between them. Three strips of ¼" wide plastic are cemented on the curved plate to prevent the negative from sticking.



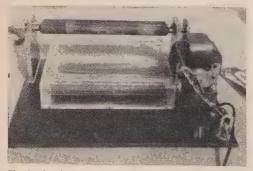
View showing the worm drive made from the ARC-5 capacitor gear. The rollers, set in brass bearings, have adjustable tension set by the screws in the supports.

Printing and Developing

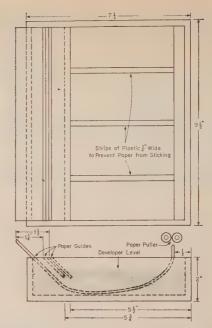
The process used employs paper manufactured by Gavaert. The positive paper is called Gevacopy # 2 and the negative paper is called Gevacopy GS. The latter is quite sensitive to light and the former insensitive. The negatives should be stored in a light proof container.

The negative paper is placed on the ground glass with the emulsion side up away from the lights. The material to be copied is placed on the emulsion side of the negative paper, face down, and a positive sheet is used behind the page as a light reflector. All the paper is then pressed firmly down on the ground glass to ensure that the copy will be evenly exposed. The pushbutton switch is depressed momentarily. The exposure should be about four seconds. The light shines through the negative paper, hits the black ink of the page and is absorbed while the white areas reflect the light back on the emulsion.

The light box is then opened and the negative and positive papers are removed and placed in the tray filled with a special solution of Gevacopy developer mixed as directed on the container. The negative is fed into the curved sheet and the positive is fed into the separator just above. The papers are then slid



Plastic developer tank and roller assembly mounted on a base. The one to one gears that couple the rollers may be seen on the left end.



Constructional details of the developer tank and positioning of the roller assembly. The rollers, old photographic soft rubber rollers, may be either motor driven or hand cranked. The tank is constructed of V_4''' plexiglass sheet cemented together.

into the solution and up into the rollers. A few seconds after emergence from the rollers the negative and positive papers are peeled apart leaving an excellent reproduction on the positive paper. It is possible to get two prints from a single negative. Generally speaking, copying from glossy paper yields the best reproductions with ordinary newsprint providing the poorest.

Ham Hints



Making Test Clip More Versatile

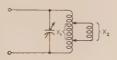
Most alligator clips will only accept banana plugs. To adapt them to accept standard phone tips plugs, take a phone tip jack, remove the end cap, washer and nut, and attach the jack to the underside of the clip's barrel with a rubber band or tape. This over-under arrangement makes the clip more convenient in test set-ups.

Low Impedance Coupling To Parallel Resonant Circuits

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ENERAL amateur practice calls for series tuning for very low r.f. impedance, and parallel resonant tuning for the higher impedances. Amateurs might, however, well borrow a technique from broadcasters for low impedance circuits. By connecting a second coil of nominal turns across a small portion of the parallel resonant coil, a kind of vernier control of low impedance is obtained. Figure 1 illustrates the circuit.

Fig. 1—Connection of inductor, X_2 , in parallel with X_1 , will provide lower impedance tap points than X_1 .



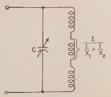
Briefly, when two or more inductive impedances are connected in parallel, the total reactance will always be something less than the reactance of the smallest inductor. It follows the well known formula:

$$X = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{X_1} + \frac{1}{X_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{X_n}}$$

This formula holds for two isolated inductors, and would hold for fig. 1, if the two portions, X_1 and X_2 , had no mutual coupling. In the actuallity, though, the X_1 portion of the inductor is mutually coupled with the upper and lower portions of the inductor. If X_2 is placed favorably in the field, it too will effect a further change in addition to its self-inductance.

From a practical standpoint, however, all that does happen is that the entire coil inductance is affected. Secondly, the X_1 portion of the inductor is altered. Schematically this might be represented roughly in fig. 2, where the central

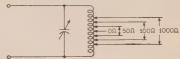
Fig. 2—The parallel circuit, X_1 and X_2 , results in a reduced overall inductance that can be compensated for by C.



portion of the inductor now has definitely less reactance. This should not present a serious problem under tuning conditions, since the size *Technical Staff, WERE AM-FM-TV, Cleveland 15, Ohio.

and number of turns of the inductor are arbitrary and controllable.

This system is workable because the impedance of a coil varies from zero at the very center to a maximum value at the very ends of the coil. Figure 3 illustrates how taps taken off



rig. 3—Illustration of the relative impedance tap positions on a coil. The lowest practical value, without a vernier coil, is about 50 ohms.

turns of the inductor will offer various positive reactive impedances. Let us say that the smallest practical impedance that can be tapped off without complications is 50 ohms. By connecting inductance will be changed. It can be corrected, a large inductor across this 50 ohms, the total as previously mentioned, by the tuning circuits. Now, on the added inductor, there will be available a similar variation of impedance. Its variation, however, will only cover roughly 50 ohms. Thus, we can pick off taps at the 30, 20, and 10 ohm impedances (fig. 4). We have, there-



Fig. 4—Addition of a vernier coil makes possible matching impedances as low as 10 ohms.

fore, at our disposal, a "finer" selection of impedances to match our load, say the antenna. By varying the size of the added inductor, different combinations of impedances will be available.

When determining the vernier coil inductance many variables must be considered such as frequency, coil size and length, mutual and capacitive coupling (more critical at higher frequencies), mounting, shielding and so on. As a "rule of the thumb," I would suggest that a ratio of 5:1 to 10:1 for the vernier coil to the tapped portion be observed. Of course, the inductance of that tapped portion (including the mutual coupling) would have to be estimated. The vernier coil should be of small diameter (thus longer) to make available more turns for precise impedance matching.

Circuit Elements for Electronic Construction

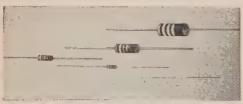
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Some practical background information, for Novices, on the basic building blocks for all electronics equipment, resistors, capacitors and inductors.

HE components described in the following paragraphs are covered in all basic electronics texts. These texts discuss the fundamental nature and action of the components but do not usually present any practical data. More advanced texts do not discuss these basic components from any viewpoint. The information presented here is intended to fill the gap.

Resistors

In general, resistors are wire wound or of the carbon type. The wire wound types are usually used in higher current and power applications. These also tend to maintain their rated values more accurately than carbon types. Wire wound types, in addition to being resistive, are quite inductive at radio frequencies and should therefore not be used for r.f. applications unless a combination resistor and inductance is desired. Some wire wound types are so wound that they are called "non-inductive" but their residual inductance may be high enough to be detrimental at the higher radio frequencies. The carbon type of resistors are generally available in sizes up to 2 watt ratings. These have very low inductance



Typical molded composition resistors manufactured by Ohmite. The resistors are rated at 1/10, ¼, ½, 1 and 2 watts. (Photograph courtesy of the Ohmite Manufacturing Co.).

and are suitable for use at high radio frequencies. The value of carbon resistors tend to change with age and may change quite radically when overloaded. It is generally considered good construction practice to use a margin of safety where practicable; *i.e.* when the resistor is called upon to dissipate ½ watt, use a 1-watt resistor. For

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very high resistances in the megohm region, where high stability is important the use of hermetically sealed resistors is desirable in order to minimize the effects of humidity.

Resistors in addition to their power rating also have a corresponding maximum current rating. It is important to calculate this current rating when tapping a resistor in voltage divides circuits or when using only a portion of a variable resistor. In these applications the maximum current rating may be exceeded without exceeding the power rating. Also, in using wire wound resistors of the sliding contact type, care must be exercised in moving the variable connectors so that the wire windings are not cut or damaged. For high voltage applications, resistors supported by metal should have a sufficient leakage gap to prevent breakdown to ground.



A 50 watt wirewound resistor that is non-inductive It does not differ in appearance from the ordinary wire wound resistor and so can be distinguished only by its markings. (Photograph courtesy of the Ohmite Manufacturing Co.).

Capacitors

Capacitors are of two general types, solid on semi-solid insulated and those insulated with air vacuum or gas. The latter are usually variable but may be fixed in capacitance. For high values of capacitance at relatively low voltages the electrolitic capacitor is usually the most economical and usually smaller in physical size. These should only be used in direct current or pulsating d.c. circuits since these capacitors are polarized and can be damaged by the application of reverse polarity. Their use is sometimes tolerated



This series of capacitors is designed for use in transmitters and other equipment featuring high r.f. currents as well as voltages. The large capacitor in the foreground is rated at 20 kv and can carry more than 30 amperes of r.f. (Photograph courtesy of Centralab, The Electronics division of The Globe-Union Inc., Milwaukee, Wisc.).

in low level audio frequency circuits. In general, their life is limited to several years and during this period, the capacity may lower and eventually they may short. Whenever economics and space permit, it is better to use a non-electrolytic capacitor. It must also be remembered that electrolytic capacitors have a relatively high leakage current which may preclude their use in certain circuits.

At radio frequencies, the choice of a capacitor with regard to its inherent loss, resistance, and inductance is important. One factor sometimes overlooked, is the capacitor's current carrying capacity. When used in tank circuits, pi-networks and plate bypass circuits for high powered r.f. amplifiers, even the disc-ceramic types which have the necessary qualifications may not have heavy enough plates, leads and lead connections to carry the r.f. currents. For these applications special capacitors are available. In general, mica



A rugged type of variable capacitor made by Hammarlund. This variable can withstand 1000 volts r.m.s. at 60 cycles and has a straight line capacity characteristic which means that each degree of rotation will produce an identical change in capacity. (Photograph courtesy of the Hammarlund Manufacturing Co., Inc.).

and disc-ceramics capacitors are preferrable at amateur operating frequencies, whereas paper insulated capacitors are suitable for d.c. application, a.f. and low radio frequencies.

In h.v. power supplies, the use of oil filled capacitors is preferrable. Most of these are rated in d.c. working voltage. Since rectifiers produce



Typical low inductance type of capacitors for use as bypasses in ultra high frequency equipment. The construction permits some to be used as feedthrough capacitors while the others are stand off types. (Photograph courtesy of Centralab, The Electronics Division of the Globe-Union Inc., Milwaukee, Wisc.).

a voltage pulse which is about 40% higher than the r.m.s. value, this should be taken into account, especially where a capacitor input filter is being used. One word of caution regarding h.v. filter capacitors should be made. The practice of quickly shorting the power supply after the primary power has been removed will result in very heavy circulating currents which may damage or ruin the capacitors. When capacitors are used in series to obtain higher voltage ratings they should be of equal capacitance and each should be shunted with a high value resistor of the same resistance in order to equalize the voltage across them.



A Hammarlund BFC line butterfly variable capacitor. It features a very low minimum capacity, low inductance and an isolated rotor, all desirable for v.h.f. applications. (Photograph courtesy of the Hammarlund Manufacturing Co., Inc.).

For variable capacitors, besides the usual desirable characteristics, their inherent inductance and inductive loops must be considered. For high power amplifiers, the vacuum variable capacitors offer low inherent inductance values which are important above 20 mc. For ordinary variable air capacitors, the large capacitors, when used for high frequency applications, not only have a relatively large minimum capacity but often contain considerable inductance and inductive loops. These inductive loops increase the number of possible v.h.f. parasitic resonances. The use of "butterfly" type construction for balanced circuits is most suitable at h.f. and [continued on page 173]

Transistor R.F. Power Amplifiers

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Ever since the 1961 Phoenix Hamvention, where this 80 meter transmitter was first displayed, the author has been deluged by inquiries for design data. Presented here are general hints on the design of transistor r.f. power amplifiers as well as some constructional details on the original unit.

Ring techniques have at last made possible power outputs of 10 watts, 20 watts and even higher on many of our amateur bands. And the prices of these transistors are such that "Mr. Ordinary Ham" may now, not only build them into his equipment, but actually save money in doing so. True, the transistor is still more expensive than the tube; we can't get away from that fact. But a power supply and and a tube is likely to cost more than the transistor. This is taking advantage of the fact that, say in mobile installation, no power supply is required.

There are a number of r.f. power transistors available which are capable of delivering from 1 to 15 watts to an antenna and costing less than \$10. However, it is pointed out that many of these are still too new to be listed in catalogues.

The 2N1907 by Texas Instruments costs around \$10. This transistor is capable of considerable output as an oscillator or amplifier on either 160 or 80 meters.

The Amperex PADT50 also sells for less than \$10 and will give considerable output over most of the ham bands. ($f_T = 60$ megacycles)

Pacific Semiconductors Inc. also has a number of high power r.f. transistors and no doubt there are other manufacturers who could have been listed above but the list has been confined to those actually in the author's stable and of which first hand information can be presented.

Designing and working with r.f. power transistors calls for quite a different technique not found in tube or other circuitry. It is as well for the would-be builder to make himself familiar with the differences involved.

Coupling Power to The Load

Generally, in the higher power class B and C amplifiers and oscillators, no attempt is made to match the transistor to the load. A parallel in this may be found in the high power transistor class B audio stages.

In class C operation the transistor is shut down over a large portion of the cycle and at *9851 Salina, Cucamonga, California.

other times varies between high and very low impedances. The transistor may be considered as a switch which every now and then feeds a pulse of energy into the tank circuit. The tank circuit, by its flywheel action, should turn the pulses into sine waves.

In order to develop a certain power, the transistor must look into a definite value of resistance. If the resistance is high in value, for a given supply voltage, it is obvious that only a small current may be drawn through it to the collector and as a consequence, the output power will be limited. The lower this resistance in value the greater the current which may be drawn by the collector and the greater the power output which may be developed. In fact, in order to develop a certain power, one must calculate and use a load of a definite resistance. This is given by the formula:

$$R_L = rac{0.5 \ V_{cc}^2}{ ext{Power Out}}$$

In this case, $V_{\rm cc}$ is the voltage supplied to the collector and will (providing the tuned circuit has a reasonable Q) be equal to the supply voltage. Taking a practical case, assume an output of 5 watts is required from the transistor and that the supply voltage is 12 volts.

$$R_L = \frac{0.5 \times 12^2}{5} = 14 \text{ ohms}$$

Note that the above formula assumes that the tank circuit has a reasonable Q and is capable of changing the transistor output pulse into a sine wave. If the tuned circuit has poor Q it is obvious that it will be impossible to develop the full required power unless the load resistance is lowered in value.

There are two ways by which the transistor may be connected to a 14 ohm load. In the first, the transistor may be tapped down the tuned circuit just as the antenna is tapped down the circuit to obtain say a 50 ohm match. In the second, we may considerably increase the C in the circuit at the same time reducing L. This will give us a circuit of low impedance but of high Q. Generally, it may be stated that

the lower the impedance the higher must be the C. This is demonstrated by the formula:

$$X_c = \frac{Z}{Q}$$

where X_c is the reactance of the capacitor and Z is the load on the tuned circuit. When the load resistance is very low in value, in order to maintain a workable Q, C may have to become unworkably large (and L impossibly small). In this case it is practical to combine the two methods, using a higher C than would be normal for tubes and at the same time tapping the collector down the tuned circuit at a point which gives the desired impedance. It is this method which is adopted in the circuit to be described shortly.

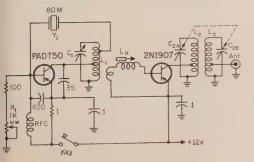
The Input Impedance

Not only may the input impedance of the r.f. power transistor be very low in value, it may also be highly reactive. As a consequence of this the importance of correct matching to the input cannot be too highly stressed. Also, in order to obtain maximum output from the stage it is often necessary to make the input resistive and to neutralize the feedback path between the collector and the base. This latter may not be necessary at the lower frequencies but is most likely necessary as the frequency of operation approached $f_{\rm T}$ (the frequency at which $h_{\rm fe}$ is equal to unity when the output is short circuited).

Matching is simply accomplished by tapping down the coil exactly as outlined in the case of the collector. Of course, a link of the same number of turns may be used to allow easier bias feed and d.c. return.

The input may be made resistive by adding capacitance, inductance or in some cases a combination of both, to the input circuit. Which is used is highly dependent not only upon the transistor but also upon the type of input circuit used. For example, in the amplifier circuit shown in fig. 1, inductance is added in series with the link. In an earlier amplifier using the same transistor but with link leads 10" long,

Fig. 1. The Amperex PADT50 drives a 2N1907 delivering 15 watts to the load. Coil $L_{\rm n}$ serves to make the input of the 2N1907 resistive. A key is inserted in series with the collector voltage to the oscillator. All capacitors except C_1 and C_2 are ceramic discs.



the inductance had to be in parallel with the input. In other cases, it has been found practical to add a phase shifting network of the type shown in fig. 2 to the input circuit. No hard and fast rule can be stated here as it may depend upon the practical layout as much as anything else. However, it can be stated that the improvement in both gain and stability is usually very marked particularly when the transistor is operating nearer its alpha cutoff.

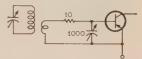


Fig. 2. A simple phase shifting network may be incorporated to make the input impedance of the final resistive. The 10 ohm resistor will absorb some of the driving power.

A 15 Watt Transmitter

The circuit of a 15 watt c.w. transistor for 3.5 mc operation is shown in fig. 1. Essentially the circuit is based on a Colpitts oscillator. The oscillator transistor is an Amperex PADT50. Designed as a core driver this transistor operates efficiently in r.f. service. As an oscillator it is capable of fully lighting a 6.3 volt .3 amp dial light bulb coupled to its tank circuit. This transistor was preferred to the 2N1907 in this position because of its higher alpha cutoff figure and therefor lower crystal current. The output stage is a Texas Instrument 2N1907. With this transistor in the output the transistor delivers approximately 15 watts of power to the load at a frequency of 3.5 megacycles and with a supply voltage of 16 to 18 volts. With a 12 volt supply the output is 10 watts. This is output power remember, not input.

Because the single tuned circuit is unable to completely restore the missing half cycle (as delivered by any single ended class B or C stage) it was found necessary to add a second tuned circuit inductively coupled to the first. Even although a 15 watt house type bulb will show the same output whether one or two tuned circuits are used, no attempt whatever

 $L_1-3^{\prime\prime}$ length of B&W 8016. (46 turns no 22, $3^{\prime\prime}$ long, $1^{\prime\prime}$ dia.) Collector tap exactly 4 turns from bottom. Xtal tap 28 turns from bottom. Link, 2 turns of hookup wire at cold end of coil.

 L_2 —29 turns B&W 8016. Collector tap exactly $2\frac{1}{2}$ turns from bottom.

 L_3 —Same as L_2 . Tap at 4 turns for 50 ohm load and approximately 10 turns for 300 ohm load.

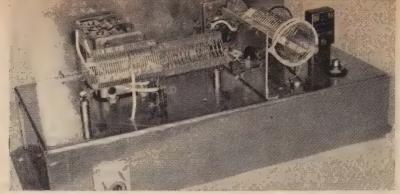
 $L_{\rm n}{=}10$ turns #28 nylon covered wire closewound on Miller 5/16" slug tuned coil.

C₁—Approximately 230 mmf. Miller 2110 with both sections in parallel.

C2-Two gang 385 or 420 mmf per section.

RFC $-300~\mu h$ with d.c. resistance of 7 to 10 ohms. D.c. resistance is of more importance than the inductance value.

 Y_1 —3.5 mc FT243 type. Miniature crystals may heat and crack.



Rear view of the r.f. amplifier showing bandpass coupler coils and the neutralizing coil $L_{\rm n}$. No transistor sockets were used in this rig. Wires are soldered directly on to the pin. Note the wire from the collector of the 2N1907 to the tap on coil $L_{\rm 2}$.

should be made to eliminate the second for its purpose is to prevent the radiation of harmonics which are contained in the first circuit to a high degree. This may be observed simply by coupling an oscilloscope to the collector of the 2N1907 and noting the waveform. The waveform will look something like fig. 3. (The scope must be capable of operation at 3.5 mc.) The waveform at the output socket appears as a pure sine wave and indeed, contains few harmonics.

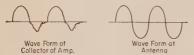
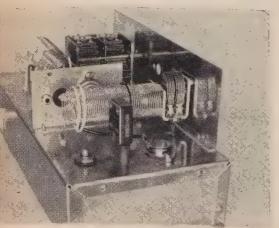


Fig. 3. The two tuned circuits are necessary at the output to put back the missing half cycle.

Adjustment

The amplifier draws no current unless the oscillator is oscillating. Turn the potentiometer R_1 until the bias on the PADT50 causes the collector to draw 50 to 100 ma. Now turn the tuning capacitor until the output current jumps up, indicating oscillation. The output stage should indicate collector current irrespective of where its output tank is tuned. Now adjust R_1 and C_1 and C_2 for maximum output and reliable oscillator starting. Resistor R_1 should not be run in a position of high collector current when the crystal is removed. By the same token, R_1 should not be run near the other



end of its range or the oscillator will not key well and may refuse to start. When operating the PADT50 will draw around 400 to 500 mag

Next adjust the final for maximum output always operate this stage into a load. If a 152 watt house type bulb is used it should be tapped about half way down the coil. L, should now be adjusted for maximum output also by stable operation. Unstable operation is indicated by a rushing noise in a receiver tuned to a nearby frequency when the final is detuned. There should be no indication whatever of spurious oscillation no matter where the final capaciton is rotated.

Construction

Construction is not at all critical. The transmitter has been designed to have a negative ground to suit automobile operation and consequently, tuning capacitors are conveniently bolted directly down to the chassis. The 2N1907 is bolted to a small aluminum plate measuring $334'' \times 2''$. The plate is mounted exactly 1" away from the coil. If these measurements are carefully retained $L_{\rm n}$ should peak with the slug exactly half way out. Other measurements and different link lengths will require adjustment of the turns on $L_{\rm n}$.

The transistors are insulated from the chassis with mica washers and the holding down bolts are likewise insulated. Arrange the two output coils so that they are about 1/4 apart. The coils are supported on a tag strip at the one end and a metal pillar at the other.

Trimmers on the output capacitor allow the two stages to be tracked. Where considerable detuning is caused to take place by a highly

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The PADT50 is shown mounted to the right of the crystal. The transistor is insulated from the chassis with a mica washer. The 2N1907 can be seen behind the oscillator coil in the foreground.

Transmitting Tubes—How to Use and Abuse Them; Part I

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Some of the finer points of transmitter design are covered in this article by W6SAI. A lot of the information herein was gained "the hard way" covering 25 years' experience in designing and building transmitting equipment. Other data has been compiled from the many questions on these topics that have arisen in his work with a leading transmitting tube manufacturer. This is "must" reading for all owners of transmitters!

the data sheet enclosed in a vacuum tube box was included with the intention that should be thrown away with the box and acking material. Contrary to this little story, he data sheet has been placed therein with bod reason; to inform the user of the tube of the capabilities and limitations of the tube, he data sheet is a summation of the functions of the tube and covers the electrical and menanical characteristics, the maximum ratings, and the typical operating conditions.

The rugged individualist usually ignores the ata sheet and runs his tube at a temperature ast below that at which the plate will start to selt. This may be fun, and may even evoke oh's" and "ah's" from the visiting hams, but violates the old "watts-per-dollar" evalua-

on of the vacuum tube!

After all, let's face it; there is an economic oint beyond which it is impractical on a watts-per-dollar" basis to push a tube. In eneral, the harder the tube is pushed, the orter will be its life. This is analogous to the ory of the cowboy who wandered into a estern saloon and saw an old, grizzled prosector at the bar, drinking whiskey neat from bottle, and smoking a huge, black cigar ken from a box of stogies at his elbow. Strikg up a conversation, the cowboy learned the d gent drank three quarts of booze a day nd smoked five boxes of cigars a day, too. aid he, "You are amazing! All this hard living your age! You look like you must be ninety wars old!" "Ninety!" screeched the prospector amming his drink on the bar and reaching r his gun, "I'm only twenty two!"

So it is with the vacuum tube. Moderation the secret to a happy, long tube life. The be manufacturer sets maximum ratings on a

Manager, Amateur Service Department, Eitel-McCulough, Inc., San Carlos, California basis of expected tube life. Each rating has been determined as the maximum value which will permit a reasonable life expectancy for the tube. The enemy of unlimited tube life is *heat*, but unfortunately heat is a natural consequence of making the tube work. A compromise of some kind must thus be made, and this is the purpose of the data sheet. Let's look into the compromise and see what establishes the various ratings given for transmitting tubes.

Plate Dissipation

The plate dissipation (rated in watts) of all radiation (air) cooled tubes is limited by the maximum safe temperature of the plate, and the effects of this temperature on parts of the tube other than the plate. In general, plates of radiation-cooled tubes will withstand several times their maximum rated plate dissipation for a short period of time. Other parts of the tube, however, are affected greatly by excessive heat radiated by the plate. High levels of plate temperature cause the grid, filament, and glass envelope to become overheated, while the heat conducted away from the plate by the plate lead contributes to the heating of the plate seal.

These effects are not instantaneous, and short overloads do not usually overheat the adjoining tube structure to a damaging extent. However, the user has no way of telling to what degree he can safely exceed the plate dissipation, or over what length of time this abuse can take place. The maximum plate dissipation rating is intended to set a point at which continuous operation may be carried out without damage to any part of the tube, even though the other tube elements may at the same time be operating at their maximum ratings.

Regardless of other conditions, the maximum plate dissipation should not be exceeded in continuous operation.

Maximum Plate Voltage

Voltage limitations are set at a point above which the internal insulators of the tube may arc over, or above which the glass envelope will become damaged from dielectric losses. In addition, a plate voltage ceiling tends to set a limit to the r.f. charging current flowing in the plate and filament leads. The charging current is a function of the r.f. plate voltage, which in turn is a function of the d.c. plate voltage; this makes it possible to set a limit on r.f. charging current without the difficult task of determining the current directly.

Tube envelopes having grid and plate leads in close proximity are subject to a greater degree of glass stress than those having widely separated electrode terminations. In general, however, most glass tubes have maximum plate voltage ratings that fall in the r.f. charging current limit category.

Minimum Plate Voltage

Each tube has a particular plate voltage below which it is uneconomical to operate the tube. That is to say, the filament power consumed by the tube (and the initial cost of the tube) are so high that the cost of power developed by the tube is high in comparison to the same power generated by a cheaper tube. Of course, if the tube is purchased "surplus" at low cost, the economic picture changes so that the initial cost is of secondary importance. Even so, tube efficiency tends to drop when extremely low values of plate voltage are employed. In addition, multi-element tubes, such as the tetrode (the 813 or 4-250A, for example) have a definite minimum plate potential below which it is not wise to operate the tube. As the plate potential is lowered, the average screen current tends to rise and the screen dissipation increases accordingly. It can be possible to thereby damage a tube by excessive screen dissipation by operating it at a low plate potential.

Lowering the screen voltage to decrease the screen dissipation is but a makeshift cure, as the power gain and efficiency of the tetrode tube drops sharply as the screen voltage is lowered beyond the normal operating range.

Maximum Plate Current

Maximum plate current is based upon the available supply of electrons emitted by the filament of the tube. Filament emission is therefore the controlling factor determining maximum allowable plate current. The maximum figure is intended to set a value which may be easily realized throughout the life of the tube. If operating conditions are chosen which require the maximum plate current limitation to be exceeded at the start of tube life, it may become increasingly difficult to maintain the desired plate current as the tube ages. To have ample filament reserve, it is important to make sure that filament voltage is "up to snuff" at all times.

Filament Voltage

Proper filament voltage and the allowal departures therefrom are usually specified the tube data sheet. In general, quick-heati thoriated tungsten filaments used in the larg power tubes may be operated over a range plus or minus 5 per cent of the recommend voltage. Slower heating cathode type filamen used in small power tubes and external ano types usually have a filament operating ranof plus or minus 10 per cent of the recon mended voltage. Some variation in power of put must be expected as the filament voltage: varied in this range. Lower than normal fil ment voltage will impair the power output the tube, and higher than normal voltage w cause critical parts of the tube to run at excessive temperature, and may even cau damage to the grid structure in extreme case In passing, it should be noted that an inexpen sive a.c. type meter of plus or minus 5 accuracy can tell the operator little about fil ment voltage, when the voltage must be he to the same value of accuracy. Use a goe filament voltmeter of known accuracy.

Maximum Grid and Screen Ratings

Element dissipation sets the grid and scree power limits. Excessive dissipation can result in electron emission from the element (terms primary emission), or can cause deformation or melting of the structure through overheating. In addition, the grid and screen structure can be overheated by excessive radiation from the plate.

A common type of screen damage result when the tube is operated with full screen voltage and low or nonexistent plate voltage. The screen then tends to act like the plat and excessive screen current quickly boosts the screen dissipation to the point where the structure is permanently damaged. Thus, the tetroop should be protected against loss of plate voltage. Either the screen and plate voltage should be taken from a common supply, or some for of overload relay or safety device should lused that will break the screen voltage lead when the screen current exceeds a predetermined value.

Bulb Temperature

The glass envelope and lead seals of a transmitting tube must be maintained below a terperature at which the glass will soften, or the seals "leak" air. Tubes and components teresto become smaller year by year, but noboth has yet been able to miniaturize the watt, are assemblies run hotter as they are reduced in size. Also the tube's glass envelope will act as a conductor when it is too hot. Adequate vertilation is very important if maximum tube lift is to be achieved. Heat is the great enemy of the vacuum tube and pains should be taken the conduct the heat away from the tube as efficiently as possible.

The most popular tubes used in amateur service are air cooled. The smaller tubes (and the larger old ones having long element support stems) may be cooled by convection, the heat rising from the envelope creating sufficient air movement to ensure that excessive element and seal temperatures are not reached. Compact, higher power tubes that have to dissipate large quantities of heat in a small area must have assistance in the form of air blown across the envelope, seals, and pins by an auxiliary fan or blower.

Short, squat tubes may require more cooling than long, thin tubes as the lead seals of the "shorties" are nearer the elements and are thus exposed to higher temperatures.

For most tubes the flow of cooling air is upward, consistent with the normal flow of convection currents. Large transmitting tubes have an open base structure and a matching socket which permits cooling air to enter the base end of the tube. The grid circuit area under the chassis, therefore, may be pressurized and the air introduced into this chamber by means of an external blower. The plate circuit area may have a mesh cover which permits the air to vent out readily, yet which provides a degree of circuit shielding. No holes in the chassis should be provided for the air to pass from the lower to the upper compartment other than by passage through the socket and tube base.

Do not sub-mount a tube with a metal base shell so that the chassis comes above the vent holes of the base. Do not mount above the chassis a tube with a metal base shell or the proper circulation of air will be impaired.

In the case of the external anode-style tubes (4X150A, for example) complete air system sockets are available that permit air to be blown axially on the base of the tube, past the

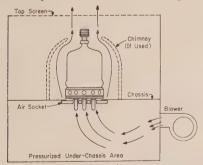


Fig. 1—Correct mounting of transmitting tube provides cooling, shielding, and isolation of input and output compartments. Cool air enters through grid circuit compartment below sockets, through a screened opening, passes through socket cooling the base end of the tube, sweeps upward cooling the glass envelope and into the output circuit compartment. The compartment has mesh-covered openings in top which permit heated air to vent out readily. This arrangement applies whether the tube is cooled by forced air or by convection circulated air.

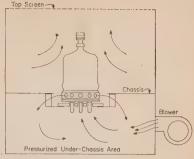


Fig. 2—Do not sub-mount a tube with a metal base shell so that the chassis deck comes up above the vent holes of the base shell of the tube. No improvement in isolating input and output circuits results, and such an arrangement prevents the flow of cooling air about the envelope and seals of the tube. If a tube must be recessed into the chassis because of space limitations, a recessing cylinder with wide clearances should be used to permit the air from the base holes to vent properly into the compartment above the chassis.

base to the envelope, and then over the plate cooler. Use of other than such a special socket is "bad medicine" for the external anode tube, as the tube temperatures cannot be adequately controlled.

Use of a receiving type loctal socket with external anode tubes is not recommended, as dangerously high stem temperatures will be generated from the heat of the filament unless the base structure is cooled by an air blast, and the solid construction of the loctal socket blocks the normal flow of air above the tube stem.

Construction Techniques for Forced-Air Cooled Tubes

In general, the under chassis area should be made air tight, and a suitable fan or blower used to pressurize the compartment. The intake air vent should have a large area to provide a minimum resistance to the flow of air. Air holes may be screened as a TVI-preventive measure, but such impediment reduces the passage of the air by a large degree.

As it is difficult to measure the air flow to a tube, and even more difficult to measure the envelope and seal temperatures of the tube, the following "rules of thumb" may be observed in order to achieve optimum cooling and longest tube life.

1—Use the maximum amount of forced air possible. It is wise to employ a blower delivering at least twice the recommended volume of air. Turn the air blast on at the same time the filament is turned on, and leave it on as long as the filament is lit.

2—Inexpensive squirrel-cage blowers often do not work properly when delivering air into a back pressure "load" created by the socket, tube and chimney. A large quantity of air escapes through the sides of the blower. Make sure the air *enters* the socket and *escapes* via the tube chimney, and does not "windmill" in the blower cavity.

Make sure the rotatable cage of the blower makes a close fit with the housing; otherwise air will spill out of the unit when it is operated under back pressure. Most low speed blowers lose pressure badly when subjected to back pressure. A blower speed of at least 3,100 r.p.m. is recommended. Most transmitting tube data sheets reveal the required air pressure (in cubic feet per minute) and the back pressure (in inches of water) that must be developed as pressure-drop across the socket. Most blower manufacturers provide data sheets which show the blower output (in cubic feet per minute) that the unit develops for various values of back pressure (in inches of water, or static pressure). You can be reasonably sure your tube is adequately cooled if you choose a blower that develops about twice the required number of cubic feet you need at a specified back pressure. Beware of midget and surplus unmarked blowers, or blowers with loose fitting housings!

3—Make sure the cooling air reaches the socket and make sure the exhaust air leaves

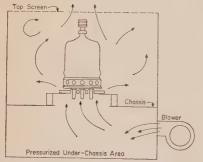


Fig. 3—Do not mount a tube with a metal base shell above the chassis unless the area between the socket and the chassis is sealed to prevent air from escaping from beneath the tube base. Circuit isolation is not improved by this form of mounting, and proper cooling is impaired. If the tube must be raised above the chassis for some reason, it should be mounted on the top surface of an air-tight cylinder that funnels the air up into the socket cooling holes.

the vicinity of the tube. It does no good to pump cooling air to a tube and then have no path for the warmed air to escape.

4—A large amount of heat escapes from glass tubes by radiation of energy from the tube plate. Placing the tube near polished metal surfaces that reflect radiant energy back to the elements of the tube is a sure way to raise the internal temperature of the tube. It is a good idea to space the tube away from such surfaces by at least the diameter of the tube envelope.

No simple rules can be given to accommodate all tube installations in all possible equipments: Tubes can be damaged by lack of air, but never by too much air, unless the blast is strong enough to lift the tube out of the socket and smash it against your ceiling! Use the largest blower you can afford. A great deal can be learned about air flow by puffing cigarette smoke into the blower and observing the path it takes in quitting the amplifier.

Connections to the Tube

Connections to the plate cap of transmitting tubes should be made with a section of flexible strap or braid to prevent any lateral strain from being placed on the tube electrode. Those tubes having a rod-type plate lead (such as the 304-TL) are prone to damage if the plate connector is forced on the rod until the former touches the glass envelope. Under heat, the expansion rate of the glass, the plate rod, and the connector are all different, and it is possible for the connector to press against the envelope and cause a fracture of the glass.

There Is Hope!

Don't let all this gloom and doom discourage you from building equipment and using modern high power transmitting tubes! It is merely that "forewarned is forearmed." By anticipating minor difficulties such as outlined in this article and eliminating the sources of trouble, the equipment in question can provide a long and happy life for the vacuum tube. This will make you (the owner and operator) happy, and—believe it or not!—make the vacuum tube manufacturer equally happy!

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A High Efficiency Transistorized Modulator

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The use of transistors in this class B modulator provides advantages unattainable with vacuum tubes. Six amperes are drawn for an audio output of 50 watts and the idling current drawn is zero. A "talking" efficiency of 66% is obtained.

THE ability of the present day power transistors to develop large amounts of audio power makes them a "natural" for use as modulators in mobile transmitters. The unit described here is compact, inexpensive, and produces up to 50 watts of audio with an efficiency never before possible with vacuum tubes.

Efficiencies

The modern a.m. transmitter is a surprisingly ow efficiency device. If the efficiency is calculated, as technically it should be, by dividing he total wattage output to the antenna by he total wattage input to all the stages, the efficiency of the best of our transmitters, comparail or home brown is in the vicinity of 20%.

nercial or home brew, is in the vicinity of 20%. Most amateurs, and commercials too, genrally only concern themselves with the power nput to the final stage and compare that to he power output to the antenna to calculate he efficiency of the transmitter. With a final implifier operating at class C, this efficiency may run as high as 70%. This is fine and veryone is quite happy. However, some thought hould be given to all the wattage that is used o heat the filaments of all the tubes and all he wattage being used in the oscillator and lriver stages and all the wattage used in the peech amplifiers and modulator stages of the ransmitter. All of these stages are necessary o produce the desired output to the antenna. For example, the popular Apache transmiter, when used on a.m., has a rated input to he final of 150 watts. It is estimated that the output to the antenna is approximately 100 vatts. That adds up to a final stage efficiency f 67%. However, the specifications also show hat the input wattage to the entire transmitter

Il efficiency of 20%. The generation of heat ecounts for the lost 80% of the input power. This is not a very serious thing to live with the relatively low power used in our transmitters. We plug the sets into a convenient wall utlet and let the electric company supply us

s 500 watts. Now we find that we have an over-

with the necessary power. The rates are certainly low enough so that we really don't worry if our electric bill runs a dollar or so higher because of the power inefficiency of our transmitter.

On the other hand, when operating a mobile transmitter and being forced to supply all of the power from our over-worked car battery, we should take a very dim view of any situation that converts our hard earned battery power into useless heat. If you've ever turned the starter key in your car on the morning after a full evening of hamming and have been greeted with a dying grunt from your starter, I am sure you get the full picture.

The use of transistors for the power supply and for the speech and modulator stages of your mobile rig will greatly increase the overall power efficiency of the installation.

Class B Operation

For high efficiency, coupled with circuit simplicity, class B operation is still on top of the list for plate modulated a.m. transmitters. It is a very happy circumstance that power transistors are admirably suited for class B mode of operation.

Both the driver and output stages of this unit use transistors operating in class B. This may seem a bit unusual to those who are accustomed to having the speech amplifier and driver stages operating in class A for both voltage gain and good regulation to drive the class B modulator stage. With transistors this is neither necessary nor desirable if maximum efficiency is the goal.

When you are not talking into the microphone there is virtually zero current being drawn in the entire unit. On speech peaks, as much as 6 amperes may be drawn to produce an output of approximately 50 watts. The no-signal zero current characteristic results in high efficiency and a substantial saving of battery

A comparable vacuum tube modulator using 6L6 tubes for an output of approximately 50 watts has a no-signal (static) plate current of 88 milliamperes at a plate voltage of 360 volts.

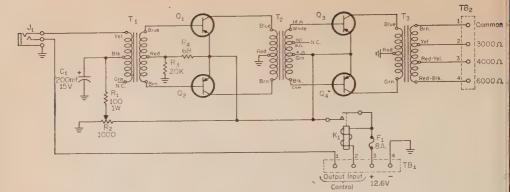


Fig. 1—Circuit of the high efficiency transistorized modulator.

K₁—Relay, 12 volt d.c., s.p.s.t., contacts rated at 10 amps or more.

Q₁, Q₂—2N301, 2N257, 2N457 or other types having similar characteristics.

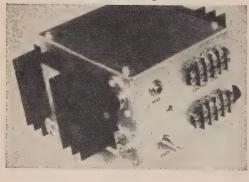
Q₃, Q₄—Delco 2N277, 2N173 or equivalent.

R₂-1K potentiometer, linear taper.

T₁—Carbon microphone to transistors, transformers, 150 ohm to impedance to 490 ohms—both windings center tapped. Argonne AR-163 or equiv.

This is about 32 watts of plate power that is completely useless as far as modulating the final is concerned. Under full signal input for 47 watts output, the plate current is 205 ma at 360 volts and a screen current of 16 ma at 270 volts. All adding up to 77 watts input. To this must be added another 11 watts for heating the filaments. And if we consider, as we should, the entire speech and driver stages along with the modulator stage, we can approximate an additional 30 watts for the plate and filament power of these stages. This adds up to a grand total of approximately 120 watts to produce the 47 watts of audio we want. This is an efficiency of about 40%.

The entire transistorized modulator unit consumes approximately 75 watts for 50 watts output—an efficiency of 66%. And the comThree quarter view of the transistorized modulator built on a $4\times5\times6$ inch chassis. The mike jack, gain control and two terminal strips are mounted on the front panel. The upper strip is TB_1 . The two driver transistors, Q_1 and Q_2 are on the left flange while the two output transistors, with their associate heat sinks, are on the left and right sides.



T₂—Transistor output transformer, 700 ohms impedance center tapped to 4/8/16 ohms impedance. Thordarsoc TR-115, Stancor TA-43 or equiv

T₃—Modulation transformer, class B transistors 6 ohmocenter tapped to class C load—2000/4000/6000 ohmocenter tapped Triad TY-66A or equiv.

2 Heat sinks—Delco #1221119

2 Power Transistor Mounting Kits—Motorola MK-10 equiv.

parative power saving is even greater when the no-signal zero current feature is considered.

Circuitry

The circuit used is not unusual and contain no new tricks. A single button carbon micros phone is used because of its high gain, rugged ness, and desirable speech characteristics Excitation voltage for the mike is obtained directly from the 12 volt battery source and is varied by means of the 1000 ohm potent tiometer, R_2 , which serves very nicely as gain control. This solved a rather knotty problem lem in that it would have required a matched dual potentiometer if the gain control wer used in the base circuit of the output tram sistors. The 100 ohm resistor, R₁, is used to limit the microphone current to a safe value in the event that the gain control is turned full on.

Transformer T_1 is the microphone input transformer with a primary impedance of 15 ohms and a secondary impedance of 49 ohms, both windings are center-tapped. Onl one half of the primary is used as shown of the schematic diagram. This matches the im pedance of the microphone and provides good step-up ratio to the secondary windin which feeds the base of transistors Q_1 and Q_2 These are medium power transistors operating essentially at class B. The 700 ohm impedance of the primary of transformer T_2 provides the proper load for these transistors. The second ary winding of T_2 is usually used to match th impedance of a loud speaker voice coil, either 4, 8, or 16 ohms. By using the 4 ohm tap a the center-tap, and connecting the base of transistor Q_3 to the 16 ohm tap, and the bas of transistor Q4 to the common tap, we have the low impedance necessary for correct operation of the modulator stage.

Resistors R_3 and R_4 form a bias network in the base circuit of the driver transistors, Q_1 and Q_2 . This network applies a slight forward bias to these transistors to eliminate the crossover distortion that occurs at low signal levels.

It was not found necessary to add any resistors to the base circuit of the modulator transistors Q_3 and Q_4 to eliminate this crossover distortion. Because of the high level of the signal being handled in this stage, the distortion that occurs at low levels was completely unnoticed in the output. It is a simple matter for the purist to add this bias in the same manner as in the driver stage. The resistive network should be calculated to produce approximately 1/10 of a volt on the base of Q_3 and Q_4 . This will slightly affect the efficiency of the stage, since there will be some small current drawn with zero signal input.

There will probably be some eyebrows raised over the fact that the usual emitter resistor is omitted in both the driver and output transistors. The usual function of a resistor in the emitter circuit is to prevent the thermal runaway that may occur with an increase of transistor temperature. The use of properly designed heat sinks for the output transistors, and the use of the cabinet itself as the heat sink for the driver transistors proved extremely effective in preventing thermal runaway.

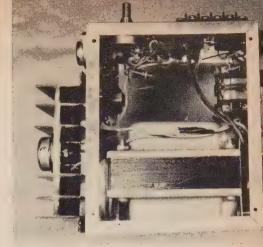
The inclusion of a resistor in the emitters of the modulation transistors Q_3 and Q_4 would require a fractional ohm resistor capable of dissipating considerable power. Such a resistor would be difficult for the average ham to obtain. Also, its use would result in somewhat reduced power output.

This unit has been tested under conditions far more stringent than would ordinarily be met under actual operating conditions. With a 1000 cycle sine wave input and the battery voltage increased to 14 volts, no indications of thermal runaway were discernable after more than an hour of continuous operation.

Transformer T_3 is the modulation transformer. The one used in this unit is a Triad TY66A, nominally rated at 40 watts output. The primary impedance is 6 ohms, centertapped, which is just about right for our output transistors. The secondary is tapped at 3000, 4000, and 6000 ohm impedance so that it can accommodate several different class C loads.

It is important here, as it is in every application of impedance matching with transformers, that the proper load be applied to the secondary so that the proper impedance will be reflected at the primary.

Relay K_1 is a 12 volt d.c. s.p.s.t. relay used to apply the 12 volt battery voltage to the modulator. By bringing the bottom of the relay coil to terminal 2 (CONTROL IN) of TB_1 and the control terminal of J_1 (microphone jack) to terminal 1 (CONTROL OUT) of TB_1 ,



Bottom view of the transistorized modulator shows T_3 occupying the bulk of the internal space. Relay K_1 is on the right front chassis flange and transformers T_1 and T_2 are in the front left section of the chassis.

we can use the push button on the microphone to actuate a remote relay and have a remote relay actuate K_1 . This is desirable because it is necessary that the Class C amplifier that is being modulated be drawing normal current before the transistor modulator is turned on. This assures a proper load on the modulation transformer, T_3 . If it is desired to have the mike switch actuate K_1 , a jumper should be wired between 1 and 2 of TB_1 .

Construction

The complete speech amplifier and modulator is contained in a $4 \times 5 \times 6$ inch aluminum utility cabinet. This is quite a compact unit especially when it is considered that 50 watts of audio are produced with this small package. There is no crowding of the components and wiring is quite simple. The modulation transformer is by far the largest and heaviest of all the components used. The two other transformers used are of the miniature variety and require very little space. The circuitry is extremely simple. This is borne out by the fact that only one capacitor, three small resistors, and one potentiometer are used in addition to the transformers.

The two power transistors in the modulator stage are mounted on individual heat sinks. The ones used are Delco #1221119 and are available from stock from any Delco dealer. These heat sinks are excellent for the job and come with the necessary insulator and mounting hardware. These heat sinks are mounted on opposite sides of the cabinet. The two driver transistors are mounted directly on the cabinet on one side right above one of the heat sinks. A Motorola MK-10 Power Transistor Mounting Kit is used for each of these transistors. This kit also contains the socket, teflon insulator, and mounting hardware. The photograph shows this mounting arrangement.

The modulation transformer is mounted inside the cabinet as shown on the photograph

of the interior of the cabinet. Four ½ inch spacers are used when mounting this transformer to provide space for the leads which come out on the bottom of the transformer.

The 4×5 inch side that is furthest from the end where the modulation transformer is mounted is used as the front panel. This holds the microphone jack, the gain control, and the two terminal boards TB_1 and TB_2 .

The microphone input transformer is mounted inside the front panel near the mike jack and the two driver transistor sockets. The driver transformer is mounted inside the left side panel between the driver transistor sockets and the modulation transformer.

The control relay, K_1 , is mounted in the cabinet on the right side between the front panel and the modulation transformer. The three small resistors and the filter capacitor are mounted on a 5 terminal tie point strip which is mounted on the inside of the front panel by means of a single screw.

It is a good practice in mobile installations to use fuses in all circuits that connect directly to the battery. A fuse holder is mounted on the lower right hand side of the cabinet as a safety feature.

Wiring is strictly point to point and no special precautions are necessary. The wires from the transformers go directly to the components indicated in the circuit. It will be necessary to extend two of the leads from the modulation transformer and one lead from the driver transformer.

Fairly heavy conductor should be used for all circuits that carry high currents. Number 16 wire should be sufficient. These leads are the ones used for the 12 volt input circuit to the fuse and to the relay. Also from the relay to the primary of the modulation transformer and the leads to the collector and emitter of both

output transistors, Q_3 and Q_4 . Just about any hook-up wire can be used for the rest of the circuit since the currents involved are quite low.

In testing the modulator before connecting it to a transmitter, it is only necessary to connect a high wattage resistor (50 watts) of the proper resistance to the output terminal TB_2 . The output can be monitored on an oscilloscope if one is available. If desired, a 100 ohm 1 watt resistor can be connected in series with the terminating resistor and the common terminal of TB_2 . A pair of earphones should be connected across the 100 ohm resistor and the quality of the speech and modulator can be checked out by listening.

The speech quality is just about right for mobile use. The modulation transformer has a frequency range of 300 to 3000 cycles per second. This is the most potent frequency range for good crisp communication.

The gain control in the microphone circuit is the controlling factor in determining the wattage output. By adjusting the gain control and keeping the voice level to the mike fairly constant, any transmitter from 10 watts to 100 watts input can be fully modulated by this unit.

This modulator is being used at the present time to modulate a mobile transmitter using the popular 6146 in the final. The input to the 6146 is just about 60 watts—600 volts at 100 ma. This requires 30 watts of audio for 100% modulation. The modulator just coasts along at that output.

On the air reports have been very gratifying and we are anxiously awaiting the day—and it is surely coming—when we will be able to say that we are modulating a type XX transistor in the final running 250 watts with a pair of type YY transistors in the modulator. In the meantime, this transistor modulator is certainly a step in the right direction.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 19th day of September 1961.

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Unidentified Amateur Transmissions

BY KERMIT A. SLOBB*, W9YMZ

The general acceptance of VOX circuits, while desirable, does have certain drawbacks. W9YMZ elaborates on the pitfalls.

OME call it "Voice Controlled Break In," others call it "Voice Actuated Relay Operation," still others call it (censored) because they associate it with s.s.b. But whatever you call it, the number of words involved makes it quite a mouthful on phone, so the boys on s.s.b. simply call it VOX, pronounced, "vox."

The thousands of shiny (and expensive) new commercial s.s.b. rigs coming out of the factories all have a little knob marked vox GAIN or vox. With this control advanced to the proper position, the operator merely talks into the microphone and puts himself on the air without manually operating a switch.

It follows that since a switch needs a bit of pressure to be actuated it is rare when an ordinary transmitter is accidentally put on the air.

Not so with VOX! Since it is standard practice for many radio amateurs to leave their equipment in a standby position with the filaments on, if some of them forget and leave the function switch on vox instead of STBY; any noise or sound loud enough to actuate the vox relay will be transmitted. Only the sound of the relay, in most instances, is a clue that the transmitter is on the air, particularly when the receiver audio gain is down.

Which brings up an interesting point. Supposing we could make a collection of some of these accidental transmissions made when the vox was left on?

Here is a fictional report from the FCC on one ten hour period of monitoring, transcribed from the tape on the "automatic scanning receiver."

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Time	Freq.	Mode	Nature Of Transmission
0803	7.21	s.s.b.	(Man) When is break-
			fast gonna' be ready?
0820	14.29	s.s.b.	(Woman) What's the
			idea of waking me up
			with that infernal racket
			at this time of the morn
			oops.
0901	28.62	s.s.b.	(Sound) Crash!
*1605	Oakwood	Road	Northbrook, Illinois

0911	21.43	o o h	(Man) 1*207 \$ 4.1
1000	21.43	s.s.b.	(Man) !*&%\$#! (Woman) I'll be ready
1000	21.72	3.0.0.	in a minute!
1017	28.63	s.s.b.	(Man) Ouch! That !*&-
			%\$#! soldering iron!
1055	21.43	s.s.b.	(Sound) Sneeze!
1106	14.33	s.s.b.	(Man) Who hid my
			pipe?
1138	14.27	s.s.b.	(Woman) Marge? Edith.
			George went to the base-
			ment so I'm using the
			phone on his desk. I'm dying to know what hap-
			pened at the bazaar. Tell
			me about Barbara
			funny, I seem to hear
			something clicking
			well, go ahead and tell
			me about (etc. for
			eight minutes.)
1200	7.21	s.s.b.	(Man) When is lunch
1001	01.41	. 1	gonna' be ready?
1231 1250	21.41	s.s.b.	(Man) Get out of here! (Man) Chloooooeeeee!
1342	14.28 14.34	s.s.b.	(Man) Meter man!
1414	21.41	s.s.b.	(Man) Ouch!
1455	28.64	s.s.b.	(Man) Sneeze!
1511	14.31	s.s.b.	(Child) Look, Mom, no
			cavities!
1532	21.44	s.s.b.	(Woman) Harry, don't
1620	14.30	s.s.b.	(Man) Those !*&%\$#!
4 - 40	= 0.1		heterodynes!
1643	7.21	s.s.b.	(Child) Mommy! Daddy
1708	3.98	s.s.b.	left his transmitter on! (Sound) Dog barking.
1733	3.98	s.s.b.	(Child) Oh, goody, Dad-
1/33	3.70	3.3.0.	dy went to the garage, so
			I'll play radio man and
			talk to the moon. Hello
			CQ, mister radio man.
			Hello, zebra doggy Q D
			five, over and out. CQ
			moon. Oh, hi, Daddy
			baaw!
1755		s.s.b.	(Man) !*&%\$#!
1800	7.21	s.s.b.	(Man) When is supper
7).	home it	oh ould	gonna' be ready?
Per	naps it	snould	be obvious by this time

that the moral to this story is: Watch that

VOX, Pop!

The "Handy Dandy" Transmitter Checker

BY KENNETH L. BALLARD*, K6UFA

K6UFA has combined some simple circuits to produce his "Handy Dandy" checker. This unit can help to remove much of the guesswork when checking your transmitter. The versatile checker can measure wattage, act as a relative r.f. meter, monitor modulation and perform as a field strength meter.

AVING recently completed my new homebrew rig, running 25 watts input to La 2E26 final on 6 meters, I gave it a final check out using the old "tried" out not so true light bulb method. Then, feeling satisfied that all was working well, I connected the antenna and called CQ. My first contact was a local (2 miles away). He gave me a report of Q5-S9, then I asked him how the modulation sounded, and he said it "sounded very good". After a few more contacts and helpful reports, I figured I had the transmitter adjusted fairly well, when a fellow just 20 miles away jolted me out of my chair with "you sure are weak on modulation". Now how could that be? The meters indicated that everything was okay. I decided then and there that I needed some type of device to monitor my signal and help me check out the rig. After a few nights of thought and fancy stabbing with the soldering iron, I came up with the Handy-Dandy transmitter checker shown in fig. 1, and since all of the circuits are fairly common, I take no credit for circuit originality.

The checker consists of a 26 watt dummy load, a transistorized audio amplifier and an r.f. voltmeter and the combination can perform the following functions: 1) act as a dummy load, 2) measure relative r.f. voltage, 3) measure output wattage (if calibrated), 4) monitor modulation quality, and 5) act as a field strength meter.

Dummy Load

The dummy load, R_1 , is made by soldering thirteen, 680 ohm, 2 watt, non-inductive resistors, (carbon), in parallel between two brass plates, as shown in fig. 2. The load may be made up of almost any combination of resistors, for almost any power dissipation. Just keep them all the same resistance and wattage ratings. The resultant resistance of the load used is 52.3 ohms which is a good match for RG-8/U or RG-58/U coax. When assembling the load, be careful not to subject it to too much heat from the soldering iron as this may change the resistor values. Solder the center conductor of the r.f. jack, J_1 , directly to one side of the load. The other side is bolted to the chassis. The v.s.w.r. on 6 meters measured 1.08:1. The checker was calibrated on 6 meters so the calibration should hold fairly well on the lower bands, 10, 15, 20, etc. I haven't tried it on 2 meters and up, as yet, but I expect it to perform equally as well as it has on six.

Meter Circuit

The meter circuit is typical of any simple r.f. voltmeter. R.f. is rectified by CR_1 , dropped in amplitude by R_2 , R_3 or R_4 , depending on which scale is to read on the meter. Capacitors C_1 and C_2 are r.f. bypasses. Scale calibration may be obtained by adjusting R_2 , R_3 or R_4 , whichever is applicable.

Calibration of the checker is fairly simple. The first step is to make a conversion chart of

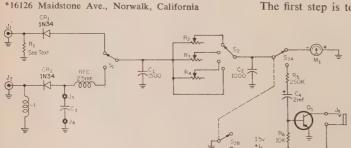


Fig. 1—Circuit of the Handy Dandy transmitter checker. Inductor L_1 is on r.f.c. and a tank circuit may be used if a specific frequency is desired.

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voltage to watts with the load resistance as a constant. There are two methods of doing this. Method #1 makes use of the formula:

$$P = \frac{E^2}{R}$$

where P is the power in watts, E the voltage across the load, and R the resistance of the load, a constant factor. For example; assume you read 5 volts d.c. at the test jacks J_3 and J_4 . The voltage E equals 5, R equals 52.3, therefore P equals .487 watts or about a half watt. By making a chart, ranging from 1 volt to about 36 volts, we can calibrate the meter for any full scale reading up to 25 watts. We can also calibrate the intermediate points on the scale.

In method 2, we can solve for 1 volt across the load. Divide the load resistance (52.3 ohms) into the voltage (1 volt) and you obtain a constant, K, in amperes. Multiply any voltage by K. This will give you the current through the load for the desired voltage. To convert this value to watts, multiply the desired voltage by the new current in amperes and you have the power in watts.

As any example; 1) E=1 volt, R=52.3 ohms; $1 \div 52.3 = .0191$ amperes. 2) Assume you wish to know what wattage 30 volts is equal to: $.0191 \times 30v = .573$ amperes. Now $30v \times .573 = 17.19$ watts. By keeping .0191 as a constant, K, you may find any value of wattage you wish.

Upon completion of the chart we can calibrate the meter. Turn all of the calibration pots to maximum resistance. Select the lowest scale with S_2 . Connect a v.t.v.m. to the test jacks, J_3 and J_4 , and apply r.f. until you get the desired full scale voltage. Adjust the meter multiplier until a full scale reducing is obtained on M_1 . Use your volts versus watts chart to determine the intermediate points and repeat the procedure for each range. You may make a chart to show the relationship between the voltage, wattage and your meter markings or you may calibrate the meter scale directly.

If you are not going to use a 0-1 ma meter, the following can help you determine the required multiplier values. Select the desired value of full scale voltage from your chart. Use the formula:

$$R = \frac{1000 E}{I} - R_m$$

where R equals the value of multiplier resistor (R_2 , R_3 or R_4), I equals the full scale current rating of meter in ma, E equals the required full scale voltage and $R_{\rm m}$ equals the internal meter resistance. As an example; assume you have available a 0-500 microampere meter with an internal resistance of 200 ohms. If you wish to read 30 volts full scale, you may solve as follows:

$$R = \frac{1000\ 30}{.5} - 200$$

R = 59.8K ohms. A 100K pot would work fine here.

Field Strength Meter

The field strength meter function is selected by switch S_1 . A pick-up antenna connected to J_2 causes the signal to develop across L_1 . Inductor L_1 may be an r.f. choke for broad band operation or a tank circuit for a specific frequency. The signal is then rectified by CR_2 , filtered by C_1 , C_2 , C_3 and the r.f.c. and applied to the meter, M_1 . The sensitivity of the field strength meter can be regulated by the setting of S_2 with the straight through position being the most sensitive.

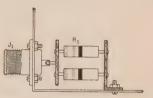


Fig. 2-Details of the dummy load construction.

Audio Amplifier

The audio amplifier is a simple single transistor type and almost any transistor from the inexpensive CK722 on up will work. I use a 2N525, as this one gives plenty of gain. The battery polarity shown on the schematic is for the PNP type of transistor. If you choose to use an NPN type, reverse the battery and the values of R_5 , R_6 and C_4 may be changed as desired, for best individual results. The output load may be one earphone from a headset, as I used, or a speaker. Care must be taken to prevent feedback to the microphone.

Operation

After calibration has been completed and everything checks out, plug in the phones, select the power range you wish to measure. When in doubt, always select the highest range first to prevent the meter from burning out. Connect up the coax to the rig and "fire up." Adjust the rig for maximum output as indicated on the meter. Then speak into the mike and adjust the rig for best modulation quality.

By hooking a short length of wire to the r.f. jack (J_1) enough signal will be picked up to enable you to monitor your "on the air" modulation. This is sort of a poor man's sidetone. Volume may be varied by setting S_2 to a lower scale or straight through.

There are many more uses for the Handy-Dandy, which will become apparent as you become familiar with it. No lay-out dimensions are given, as these will be dictated by size of the available parts. Needless, to say, the Handy-Dandy will save many hours of "on the air" guess work. I wish to express my thanks to Roy Gable, WA6IJY, for his help and encouragement.

The Gonset G-76 Transceiver

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HOUGH the G-76 is at home in either fixed or mobile operation, it is obvious that the mobile amateur was very much in mind when this unit was on the drawing board. The small size of the front panel (125% inches wide and 51% inches high) considerably eases the problem of finding available mounting space under the dash of modern cars. The compact grouping of controls is another contribution to greater mobile operating.

The G-76 is a transceiver by definition only. Other than the sharing of 1½ audio tubes and a common power supply, the receiver and transmitter function independently of each other. In fact, it is necessary to zero beat the v.f.o. to the receiver frequency if transmission and reception on the same frequency are desired. This arrangement provides the flexibility required for convenient phone DXing where the receiver may be tuned to the DX portion of the band while the transmitter is operated in the U. S. allocation.

Receiver

The receiver is a "ham-bands-only" type in that it covers only the amateur assignments in the bands from 3.5 mc to 54 mc. The sensitivity of the receiver on the lower frequencies is quite satisfactory though there appeared to

The G-76, in a very successful effort to reduce the number of panel controls, incorporates the AUDIO and R.F. gain controls into one control. Switching is accomplised automatically. In the s.s.b. and c.w. position of the receiver function control, the volume control becomes the r.f. gain control. In the A.M. position the r.f. gain is fixed and it then becomes the volume control. The a.n.l. is activated in either operating mode by pushing this knob in. The b.f.o. has a convenient marking to indicate the correct setting for either upper or lower sideband reception.

An outstanding feature of the receiver is its inherent stability. It performs extremely well, in this respect, on both c.w. and s.s.b. where it would be noticed most if this consideration had been neglected. There was a tendency, however, toward premature overload when operating on c.w. and s.s.b. just prior to the point where sufficient audio output was available, on the unit reviewed. This condition was not observed on a.m. operation.

The antenna input, common to both receiver and transmitter, is designed for 50 ohm unbalanced (coax) line. The antenna change-over relay is included in the G-76 circuitry, and is automatically operated by the front panel TRANSMIT switch.



Front view of the G-76. Controls from I. to r., along the bottom edge: dual purpose r.f.-a.f. gain, function switch, calibration reset, rcvr. band switch, grid tuning, v.f.o. spot switch, 80-10 m v.f.o. In the second row from I. to r.: T-R switch, b.f.o. set, main tuning, drive switch, plate tuning and loading. The transmitter function switch, final bandswitch and main on-off switch are at the upper right.

be some lack of sensitivity on six meters. Recent correspondence from the manufacturer reports that present production has reduced the a.v.c applied to the first i.f. stage and corrected this condition. The unit your reviewer examined also seemed to be extremely critical in tuning on the higher frequencies. Gonset advises that a small amount of capacitive coupling has been added between the primary and secondary of each i.f. transformer to broaden the response. It is to be expected, therefore, that present production units will not be as critical in tuning on the higher bands.

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In addition to oscillator temperature compensation for both transmitter and receiver, the manufacturer claims a tolerance of as much as a 30% decrease or a 50% increase in plate supply and heater voltages with negligible frequency shift.

The first i.f. is 2065 kc and the second i.f. is 262 kc. Selectivity is fixed, and there is no adjustment or change that can be made by the operator. The overall selectivity is approximately 3 kc at 6db down, and 14 kc at 60 db down.

The 100 k.c. crystal calibrator is an accessory, and was not included in the unit reviewed.

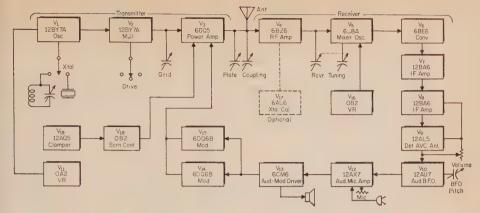


Fig. 1-Block diagram of the Gonset G-76 100 watt multi-band transceiver.

Transmitter

All reports, both on c.w. and a.m., have been excellent. The v.f.o. is extremely stable, and the "spotting" control makes it very easy to zero-in at any frequency to which the receiver is tuned. Either v.f.o. or crystal control may be used on all bands from 3.5 to 29.7 mc, while crystal control must be used on the 50 mc band. The v.f.o. does not cover the 8.334 to 9.000 mc range required for this band.

A 6DQ5 serves as the output power amplifier and it is rated by Gonset at 100 watts input on a.m., and 120 watts input on c.w. A pair of 6DQ6s do a fine job in providing the a.m. modulating power. A 100 watt light bulb, used as a dummy load, was lighted to approximately half brilliance on the lower frequencies.

External provisions must be made monitoring when on c.w.; further evidence that the G-76 was designed with the mobile a.m. operator in mind. The cathode of the final amplifier is keyed on c.w., and curiosity as to the voltage present across the key prompted your reviewer to measure the potential at this point. It was an unhealthy 350 volts. Upon calling this to the manufacturer's attention he advised that all future units would be keyed in the cathode of the 12BY7A driver, and that two additional tubes had been added to the transmitter circuit; a 12AQ5 to clamp the final amplifier screen, and an 0B2 voltage regulator, also in the screen circuit. Gonset has provided a new schematic, and on the basis of the changes indicated it appears that any potentially lethal voltage has been eliminated from the key.

The pi-network amplifier tuning controls also tune the receiver r.f. amplifier circuit, and once adjusted for optimum transmitting conditions should not be de-tuned in an effort to peak them for receiving conditions. Though they tune quite sharply when loading the transmitter, they are broad enough to amply cover each amateur band without the necessity for retuning.

Power Supplies

Two matching power supplies are available for use with the G-76, and each must be purchased separately. The d.c. supply is designed for 12 volt service, and the 115 volt a.c. supply includes a speaker and a headphone jack. The a.c. supply was provided for review. For several days, and a good number of contacts, this power supply functioned perfectly. Then trouble developed in the low voltage (280 volts) supply. Two silicon rectifiers were found shorted and they in turn had blown the line fuse on one side. Replacing them with heavier duty units provided satisfactory operation for a few days before the new rectifiers shorted. A telephone inquiry to the manufacturer brought the reply that current production was now incorporating units with a higher p.i.v. Samples of the new rectifiers, provided by Gonset, have been functioning now for several months without failure.

With the changes now incorporated in the G-76 I believe that this unit is everything it is represented to be. It is unquestionably a well designed and carefully built transceiver for the mobile a.m. amateur that will provide very nearly the ultimate in flexibility and operating convenience.

The experiences outlined here, in the review of the G-76, demonstrate the objectivity of the reviews published in CQ and the service that they can perform for the amateur fraternity. Each unit reviewed is tested under actual operating conditions, just as you would use the equipment, for at least a month and often longer. While consideration is given to circuit configurations of unusual design, their ultimate worth must bear the brunt of on-the-air performance, and not merely a dissertation on their technical novelty. Every effort is expended to insure that the manufacturer's equipment is fairly represented to you, and that on your behalf, your interests are brought to the attention of the manufacturer. Anything less would almost surely be a waste of your time and this space.

CQ Awards Honor Roll

Worked All Zones The following list contains the call letters of those top DXers throughout the world who have qualified for the Worked All Zones Award as of September 12th, 1961.

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WPX The following is a list of amateurs holding WPX and the number of prefixes worked. This list has been compiled as of September 29, 1961. Everyone is encouraged to work as many different prefixes as possible and submit their cards to the DX Editor, Urban Lejune, W2DEC, at Box 35, Hazlet, New Jersey.

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C.W. WPX	SM5AJU . 359	SM5AHK311	ZL2GS 303	W9WHM367	K2JXY
	WØMCX 357	K8LSG 310	K9CLO 302	PAØHBO 363	W2HXG
W2HMJ 607	UC2AA 357	W3GHD 310		SM3EP 361	W5RHW
W8KPL 553		W9BPW 310		W5ERY358	
W9YSX 554	VE3DIF 357		W3DBX 302	W5EKI536	
W6KG 528	W5OLG 356	W9UX 310	WØDMA 302	W9UZC356	XEIAE
W5KC 541	DL7CS 356	OH3TH 310	OK1KKJ 302	DL3TJ354	EI8P
W2EQS 501	KL7MF 356	PAØLY 310	W2DGW 301	PY2CK354	PZ1AX
K6CQM 500	W2GVZ 355	SM7TQ 310	W4HYW 301	5A5TO353	K2HEA
W1EQ 500	DL1YA 354	W3AYD 309	W4IMI 301	W8PQQ 347	K5MDX
W4OPM 500	VE3JZ 354	WØAUB 308	W8IBX 301	LA5HE337	VE3BOP
W1IJB 495	K4GSS 353	HB9EO 308	W8TTN 301	K9EAB 329	VE3CIO
W11JB 493	W4DKP 353	DJ3BB 308	JA3FT 301	VEIADE 325	W6BAF
WINLM 491	K2CPR 352	SM5AHJ 308		SP7HX 323	
SM5CCE 488		SMSAIJ 300		SP/HA 323	VP6WD:
W8PQQ 481	K2PFC 352	SM5BCE 308	OK1CX 301	F9MD315	WØKFA
K2UKQ 480	W9WCE 352	W9YNB 307	ZL4CK 301	W3AYD314	K4JEY
W8LY 475	F3DM 351	DU7SV 307	K4KOY 300	I1CBZ312	W8BKO
W6WO 468	HB9TT 351	SM5BBC 307	K4TEA300	W3DJZ306	ZS7P
K6SXA 464	W6UNP 350	SP6AAT 307	K5ESW300	ZP5CF 306	UA3CR
K9AGB 454	W3GAU 349	SP9RF 307	K5LZO 300	SM3BIZ304	VE6TF
W9UXO 453	W9IU 344	K4IEX 306	K9KDI300	W5JCY303	VE3MR
K9EAB 451	SM7ID 339	W2SAW 306	W1HWH300	W8UMR 303	K6HFZ
KYEAD 451	DL1IA 337	W8RSW 306	W2DEC300		
W2MUM 450	W6YY 337				YV5FK
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W3BQA 437	K2QXG 327	K4HXF 305	W2FXA 300	EI3R302	K4ASU
K5LIA 428	WØŠNL 327	W2TP 305	W3BCY 300	W9PQA 301	ZS6ATA .
OKIMB 428	SM7CNA 327	WA2DIG 305	W3LMA 300	K5MDX300	W8YIN
WØPGI 420	LU8EN 326	W4LRN 305	W3SOH 300	XE1AE300	XEICV
W2HO 418	DL3RK 324	W4SHX 305	W4GXB 300		W1TYO I
W5AWT 412	F9IL 322	W5AZB 305	W4RVW 300	S.S.B. WPX	W9WIO I
W5DA 412	W2KIR 320	W5WZO 305	W4YWX 300	D.D.D. WIZE	GW2DUR
W2PTD 411	KP4CC 320	W8ONA 305	W5ARJ 300	TI2HP 356	K2QXG
G2GM 408	SL5AB 320	WØGUV 305	W6WWO 300	W4OPM 320	W2OTZ
K4JVE 407	UC2AR 319	VE3BWY 305	W7TPE 300	HB9TL 315	W2TP
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W3OCU 405	LA6CF 318	K6RTK 304			K2JFV].
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JA2JW403		K8GHG 304	OK1MP 300	W2VCZ 250	W8JIN I
PY4OD 402	K4SXR 316	W1BFT 304	PAØZL 300	W1GR 246	W8JXY
W5LGG 401	W2GT 316	W1EIO 304	PY4AO 300	W2HMJ 240	W8YBZ
W9GFF 401	DJ1VS 316	W1FZ 304	SM2BCS 300	W3MAC 235	VE3BWY
W5SFR 400	VK6WT . 316	W6NWI 304	SM5BPJ 300	W6EKZ 233	K2TDI
VK3KB 400	W2BYP 315	W6RLP 304	SP6FZ 300	K4PUS 225	W2BLP
F9MS 382	PAØVB 315	OK1AEH 304	ST2AR 300	W1EQ 224	W2GNQ
WØQYE 377	PAØVO 315	OK2OR 304	VE3CIO300	VE3BKL 224	W9YHE
IT1AGA 374	W1NHJ 314	K81KB 303	120020	HB9TL 221	WØFUH
W5BUK369	W1IUU 313	W7ABO 303	Phone WPX	K1IXG219	
W9DYG367	K2ZRO 312	W8UMR 303	Phone WPA	WØCVU 218	EV. C. MAY TO T
W4AZK 365	SM5WI 312	W9VIN 303	W8WT 531		W2FXN
W1WLW362	W5BRR 311	OK3EA 303		OY7ML 216	W5DA
W9CGR 361	W5EJT 311		G3DO 476	DL4AS 208	W5PQA
W9WIO 360	W8RQ 311	OY7ML 303 VE3HB 303	W9YSQ 471	G8KS208	W6TNS
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S INGLE Sideband DX Chasers List. The following amateurs have received awards and endorsements for two-way single sideband contacts. The list is of station calls that have been active from September 1960 to September 1961. To keep current send your list and cards to K2HEA/K2MGE, 12 Elm St., Lynbrook, Long Island, New York.

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250 TI2HP 242 VQ4ERR 239 W6UQU 238 W8PQQ 227 HB9TL PY4TK 226 W3NKM 225 W2ZX W8EAP 220 VK3AHO 219 W0QVZ 218 W6RKP 217	216 K2MGE 215 W6BAF 211 W5AFX W6WNE 210 W6VEU 208 MP4BBW 205 ON4DM 204 K4TJL 202 W4OPM 201 W2FXN W5IYU G3AWZ 200 WIOOS W2JXH	W8YBZ K9EAB W0CVU 193 W3LMA 190 W2LV 189 W1L1F 186 ZL31A 185 K2JFV W0UUV 182 W2VZV PZ1AX 180 K8RTW 179 W3KT	K2FW W2YBO 176 TG9AD 175 W2VCZ W5KFT K6LGF K0CTL 167 XEIAE 166 KIIXG 165 W3MAC K6MLS 163 G2BVN YV5AFF 161 W3VSU 159 K2HEA W5RHW	158 W7DLR 157 W3CGS 155 DL11N G8KS 154 W6EKZ UR2AR 152 W1ORV W2HXG W2NUT 151 K4AJ K4JEY K4PUS G3DO G6LX 150 W2QKJ K2TDI W6YMV	WoPGI G3NUG XE1SN 149 W6VUW 142 PJ2AA 133 G3KHE 129 W2MAF K4ASU 126 W6DLY W9CYL 125 W1AOL W1JSS W2ATJ W3KPP W4UWC K6HFZ W8ACT DJ3CP	HB9J 123 W5PQA 122 W6UPP 120 W9YHE 118 W7EOI 116 W3COG 112 OZ7FG 111 W40M KØRDP 110 W9EYC 108 DL7AP UA3FG 105 E18P XEICV	104 K5MDX W5PSB W9YMZ VE3BQP 103 W2HTO W4ERZ/1 W4WDI WA6AMZ WA6EYP W8JIN Z56ATA 102 K1IDW K9PPX G5BJ LA3SG SM5DW YN1CK 101 W2SKE K6CQM EP2AG	G3CCN G3NUY GW3AHN SM6BIZ 100 K1EJO W1FZ W1UOP W2BQM W2WJS K2YIY K2ZKU W3ATV W3KPP W4WDI W4IFN W5KC K5OGP K6CWS W6DLY WA6HOH K6QDD K6ZKH W7EUD	K8CFU K8LSG W8WT K9CRS W9EXY K9KHC W9SFR W9GGI EA8CT G3FKM G6UT KH6DL LA6VC OD5CT OD1RZ P12AF SM5AQ SM5LL UA3CR VE3CIO VE6EN VP6WL

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The following certificates were issued beween the period from August 12th, 1961 to and including September 12th, 1961:

WAZ

1581	W9IHN	Charles R. Pendl
1582	W6UDR	Paul V. Weller
1583	W3MSR	Lawrence T. Fadner
1584	K4JEY	Johnny Wood
1585	G5RP	E. Wake
1586	YV5FK	Gregorio Marin
1587	W8YCP	Frank J. Schwab
1588	HB9KU	Dr. L. Valpiana
1589	G3KZI	J. A. Steele
1590	W9UZS	W. W. Johler
1591	PAØFAB	F. A. Bannink
1592	W4CKB	Bev Cavender
1593	W4MCM	Robert J. Hudson
1594	G3BVN	R. F. Stevens
1595	WøoQK	R. W. Shaw
1596	KH6DLD	Sheila Goodhue
1597	KH6DLF	Ed Goodhue
1598	W1ORV	Leonard C. Pray
1599	W8ELL	Robert Mentzer
1600	WØNCS	Emil L. Martin

ALL-PHONE WAZ

94	ZL1ACI	R. E.	Pearce
95	VK4RQ	H. C.	Noble
96	DL3DW	Rudolf	Riedel
97	W3GHD	Rohert	G. Wilson

TWO-WAY SSB WAZ

10	HB9TL	Jack Laib
11	W3EAP	Dr. W. M. Chambers
12	SM3BIZ	Curt Westling
13	SM5CO	Alex Alexanderson

CW WPX

195	K2ZRO	K. J. Deskur	
196	W4YWX	Paul H. Newberry, Jr.	
197	HB9EO	Ralph Graueb	
198	SP6AAT	Jan Osowski	
199	SM7ID	Karl O. Friden	

PHONE WPX

31	K5MDX	David L. Thompson
32	F9MD	Marcel Pouchoux

SSB WPX

71	W6EKZ	R. M. Rothschild
72	K5MDX	David L. Thompson
73	K6HFZ	Andrew O. Adams
74	G8KS	S. L. Hill

N the August DX COLUMN, I took a stand against the MC type of operation. This was done by quoting an article which oppeared in the NEDXA Bulletin plus some comments of my own. This little bit of oapboxing has brought in more mail than any other single subject since I have been landling the DX department. Of the mail deceived to date, approximately 84% has been against the MC procedure, which is really

quite amazing since mail is usually received only from those who are opposed to what is being said. If a stand is taken against a particular subject and the mail shows 50% for and 50% against, it can safely be assumed that about three times as many people agree as disagree because it is simply human nature to take the time and effort to complain or disagree when you are not in complete accord. Using this guide, which I know is true from past experience, it would look as though approximately 95% of people would be against this type of operation. If this is true, then why does this method of operation persist. I think the answer is obvious. If this is the way the DX stations are working, then one must get on the list if the DX station is to be worked.

In a letter received from Joe, W4OPM, quite a bit of the history of this MC type of operation is explained

of operation is explained "MCing has been going on for quite a period of time but it has only reached the proportions of which we now know it with the advent of the KWM-1. Here is a transceiver which is small, compact and light weight and ideally suited for a DXpedition. The size and weight of the KWM-1 is achieved by sacrificing separate v.f.o.'s for transmitting and receiving.

"We are all aware of the pandemonium which exists when a DX station transmits and receives on the same frequency. With a rig such as a KWM-1 or KWM-2 to be operated on two separate frequencies without any additional auxiliary equipment requires that the operator change frequency on every transmission. This is obviously impractical.

"The result has been the increased use of the MC system of operation. Not all of these operations have been as bad as the East Pakistan debacle. In that one, the number of legitimate contacts made by W/K hams is questionable. From where I listened it seems that all hands were helping to pass along reports in the hopes they could get in there next. There have been other operations that were anything but smooth, but I don't believe any will approach that one for plain hoggish, dog-eat-dog type of operating. And it could have been avoided by the use of a DX adapter. There have been some very smoothly run MC type of operations, too. How about Bob, W2VCZ, when he Mcd Jan, 6W8CW. I heard no passing of reports except by Jan and the station he was in contact with. Then there was Aug, K2UVU and FR7ZD. He did a fine



This nice neat set up is none other than KX6BU on Kwajalein with Brad, K6HPR, in the driver's seat. The fellows there keep the station very active on 20 meter s.s.b. between 0400-1200 GMT and would like to pass along their 73 to the gang.

job and the night I got up there to work Guy, I heard nobody passing reports except the proper people. There have been many others and I don't think the MC system should be totally condemned because one or two have gotten out of line".

Joe goes on to say that before suggesting the elimination of this practice, something should be suggested to take its place. First, let us take the case of equipment deficiencies. At one time, Collins Radio had available a DX adapter as an accessory for the KWM-1. This unit is no longer available from Collins. If anyone has a DX adapter and would like to make same available on a loan basis for any legitimate DXpedition, I will be very pleased to act as intermediary. Likewise, anyone contemplating going on a DXpedition and is unable to obtain a DX adapter, let me know and I wil try to obtain one on a loan basis.

There are two other alternatives. The SSB Handbook written by W6TNS and published by Cowan Publishing Company contains an article on the construction of a v.f.o. for the KWM-1. For sideband use there is one very simple operation that should prove to be very satisfactory. The KWM-1 and 2 tune 200 kc segments of the band. Thus, if the transmitter is put on 14125, a simple flip of one switch will let the operator receive on 14325, exactly 200 kc away. This method has worked very satisfactorily the few times I have heard it in operation. The DX station must, however, give the frequency at which he is listening rather frequently or else calling stations will be spread over the entire band. A DX adapter as such is not available for the KWM-2, however, Collins Radio advises that a Novice adapter will be available shortly. With a few simple modifications, this will permit basically the same operation as the DX adapter permits of the KWM-1. There is also a completely separate p.t.o. unit available for the KWM-2.

Now, this brings up the delicate question-

why do we have MC's when there is equipment deficiency at the DX station. I ap sure that almost everyone has heard operation in which a MC was used part of the time during the periods of time when the D station was working on his own, his QS output increased. The only reason that I ca think of for a MC in many of these cass is that the MC simply enjoys MCing. In mar cases, if as much time had been spent instructing the DX operator in how to hand a pileup as in instructing him in the MC ty of operation, there would have been no nee for a MC. There are a few points which, observed by the DX station, would result in more QSO's, less QRM, and a better chand for everyone to have a legitimate QSO. The

1. Never transmit and receive on the same frequency.

2. Frequently announce the frequency of part of band which is being tuned.

3. If possible, state that you are working stations by area, such as: Now W1's only, D0 only, etc.

4. Limit QSO's to signal reports.

If these rules would be followed, many mostations would be worked and I think the MC practice could be reduced to its propolace. Set forth below are a few comment which I received and I am sure you will fininteresting.

"Congrats on the stand you took re the 'Mooperating. Glad you printed it. Maybe it whelp to put the kiss of death on this foul practice that eliminates all fair competition WØAIW/VQ9AIW/XE4A, etc.

"I want to congratulate you and the edit of the *NEDXA Bulletin* on your comments of the Master of Ceremonies type of operation. hope some of those people read *CQ* and takine out to see just how ridiculous they are All we can say is that the practice serves a useful purpose." W4MR.

"There are a number of us here that a strongly opposed to this practice and we would like to do everything possible to eliminate Therefore, I have taken a rather strong star against the 'ringmaster' type operation, as w call it out here and have created some friction as a result of it. However, we had this sam problem on c.w. many years ago and it w solved only by the elimination of the practiby all concerned and actually was one of the bases for the formulation of the Southern Cal fornia DX Club. I have discussed your editori with a number of others who share our feeling on this problem and they heartedly concur an congratulate you on your stand. Please do som more about it and be assured of our backing W6VFR.

"Congratulations on your MC stand W5PQA/ZM7DA.

And this comment from an s.w.l.: "I w much amused by the editorial in your D COLUMN in the August issue of CQ. I didn



Alex, SM5CO, in his compact station in Stockholm, Alex, as you may have noticed, has just qualified for WAZ, All SSB which is his third. How about RTTY now Alex?

think that an unsportsmanlike operation like MCing would be going on in the DX-ing game." Clif Evans, K6BX, in his inimitable way sums up why there is such strong feeling against MCing.

"Back in Arkansas where I grew up on the farm, my grandpa thoroughly indoctrinated me in sportsmanship principals. We were not very well off and not too well educated, but we did have pride and principal. Well, Grandpap showed me how obnoxious were the city slickers who shot quail on the ground while they were nesting, when for me it was a single-shot gun used only after the quail had been flushed the second time and were on the fly. Then he showed me how disgusting the hunter was who shot standing or running deer with a shot gun. With me, it was a rifle or no sport. Then he showed me that only commercial fishermen used nets to catch a mass of fish to put in barrels. At fish markets, many who could not catch fish themselves in honest competition would drop by the fish market, where the stench was high, and have a clerk (MC) hand them the fish over the counter, after which they would take it home and brag to their friends of their sporting catch. By its very mechanisms, an MC system destroys all vestige of competition and relegates results to paper credits of no more sporting value than buying fish across the counter from a clerk."

What is FOC?

The following discussion on FOC is not presented because of the MC views shown herein, even though it may look that way. I have been asked many times what FOC is and a very good description of the Club was recently presented by Jim Price, W5FXN.

"The FOC is an international club with headquarters in England. The FOC stands for 'Firstclass Operators Club' and is set up something along the lines of the A1-OP club except that a newsletter goes out monthly to each member and contests are held between members.

"In 1931 a few dedicated c.w. men realized the growing need for an organization aimed at maintaining a high level of operating ability amongst amateurs. This could best be achieved by 'First Class Operators' showing others on the bands for example, how to operate a radio station in the correct manner, to be exemplary in conduct and behavior on the bands and to extend a helping hand to the newcomer.

"Under the direction of the late G5BW and others, the First Class Operators Club was formed. Members were enrolled by a sponsoring system which, in fact, requires the consent of all the membership before nominees are admitted. To join the FOC, you must first be sponsored by one of the members. Once you are, your call is placed in the FOC newsletter for 3 issues. During this time four additional sponsors are required to write into HQ in support of the nominee and providing no objections are received after three months, the nominee is invited to join. Membership should not be bestowed lightly, and members should observe prospective candidates for a considerable period before deciding to sponsor. Soliciting for votes can disqualify.

"The club has gone from strength to strength and has undoubtedly contributed a great deal to the ham radio movement. Among its members are a few of the best operators in the business. Membership is limited to 350 (at full strength now). We have 59 countries represented in 6 continents.

"Operating technique, ethics, good manners and behavior, tolerance and a willingness to assist newcomers are the hallmarks of the FOC member."

Certificates

News of several new certificates reached our desk this month and is presented below. The interest in certificate hunting may be seen by the number of new certificates being offered. If you don't "chase" certificates other than DXCC and WAZ, give it a try and you'll be surprised how enjoyable it is. With any kind of a QSL collection, you probably qualify for quite a few.

Z-38-C

The rules of Z-38-C are as follows: The award is available for fone only, c.w. only, all bands or any single band, effective post-W.W. II. Required are 12 of the 21 available prefixes and 100 points made up of any of these:

A-Z5-C

The rules for obtaining the A-Z-5 Certificate are as follows:

1. Two way contact between one amateur station in each Radio District within Zone Five—VO1; VO2; VE1; VE2; FP8; VP9; W1; W2; W3; W4 (Fla., Georgia, S. Carolina, N. Carolina, or Virginia) and W8 (W. Va. only).

2. All contacts made on or after January

1959 are valid for credit.

3. QSL cards must be forwarded with the following charge to cover cost and mailing: (a) First Class Mail, 50¢ or 6 IRC. (b) First Class Registered, \$1.00 or 12 IRC.

4. All requests should be mailed direct to Secane Amateur Club, 2744 Springhill Road,

Secane, Penna., U. S. A.

5. Endorsement for single band, single mode of operation, if requested.

COBRA

Award: COBRA (City of Baltimore Radio Award).

Award by: City of Baltimore Radio Associa-

Address: Louis C. Bremer, W3LE, 7704 Old Harford Road, Baltimore 14, Maryland, U.S.A. Requirements: Contact 25 different stations in the Baltimore Metropolitan area with at least 10 of them being members of the Association. Stations outside of North America and South of Panama need to contact 15 stations with at least 7 of them members of the Association. Members must receive your QSL card before Award will be issued. Effective date for qualifying contacts; May 1, 1961 with no time limit.

Application: U. S. and Canadian amateurs must send QSL's and list showing station, date, time, band and mode of transmission, others

need to send list only with the following certified by the applicant and two other licensed amateurs. "We hereby certify the above list is a true copy of Baltimore stations contacted, and the QSL's from these stations are in the possession of the applicant and reflect the information appearing on this list. The applicant certifies he/she has confirmed all contacts with the stations listed."

Charge: U. S. and Canadians: \$.50 for return of QSL's and certificate. Foreign: 5 IRC if QSL's are sent, and 2 IRC if list only.

Comments: (1) The awards will bear serial numbers and endorsements for "All Phone," "2 Way SSB," and "50 MC" where applicable. Such endorsements must be requested in application. Mixed modes of transmission and any band may be used to qualify for the general class award.

(2) Baltimore City and adjacent counties requirements same as first sentence under "Requirements" above except no QSL required unless requested for stations own use. Transcript of contacts will be all that is necessary but will be checked through for verification.

Shizouka Awards

The Shizouka (Japan) Amateur Radio Club (SARC) issues the Shizouka A-I and Shizouka A-II Certificates to licensed amateurs all over the world.

Shizouka A-1: Proof of contact with two members.

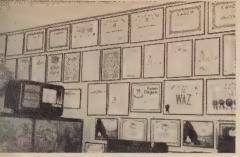
Shizouka A-II: Proof of contact with five stations in Shizouka Prefecture including at least two SARC members.

Contacts made after July 29th, 1952 are valid. Application, including QSLs, 6 IRC and list for the contact may be sent to Award Manager, JA2JW, Y, Hoshiyama, P. O. Box 147, Shizouka, Japan.





Bob, K4UFE, was kind enough to send these pictures which he had taken while on a recent vacation in Jamaica. On the left is a J33 tri bander on top of the Red Cross Building in Kingston. On the right, Ed, VP5EM, at the operating position inside. The call is VP5RA and the rig, in addition to the J33, includes a HQ-170 and 500 watt transmitter. On the wall is a large map on which they plot hurricanes. Bob would like to thank the VP5 gang for the wonderful time he was shown.





These two pictures show only part of one wall belonging to UR2BU. Karl has one of the finest certificate collections in the world. Sandwiched between the WAZ and Phone WAZ is the membership certificate in the Certificate Hunters Club with endorsements for 100 different certificates, certificates from 25 different countries and all continents. This is the one issued by Clif Evans, K6BX, who also publishes the Certificate Hunter's Directory. (Tnx K2UKQ)

Members of SARC: JA2BP, CU, HE, HF, W, JZ, KB, MZ, SG, SK, TH, UJ, WB, YB, YK, ZJ, ZV, ACW, AEH, AER, AMP, ANA, AOF, APV, AQH, ASZ, AWB, AWF, AXD, BFD, BGS, BGY, BJB, BMQ, BOB, BOW, BUO, BVX, BWV, CCA, CCG, YAB. A note was received from KR6CR, the KR6

QSL manager, and George advises that there re many cards on file for ex-KR6's. If they will end an s.a.s.e. to OARC QSL Bureau, APO 31, San Francisco, QSL's will be forwarded. AC/AC5: Look for a king-sized DXpedition o these places in Janury of 1962 by VU2NR nd company. More, later.

P East Pakistan: AP5CP in East Pakistan has een reported active by several sources. He has v.f.o. but usually stays between 14050 and 4090 kc. The most common time seems to be etween 1300 and 1600 GMT. See QTH in

ppropriate place.

CR8 Portuguese India: A recent DXCC diective has made Damao and Diu separate rom Goa, that is, Goa will be one country and Damao and Diu another country. Those of you who were lucky enough to work both CR8AC nd HB9QP/CR8 now have credit for both ountries.

T2 Eritrea: The following letter was received rom K1KOM, who is the Sec/QSL Manager f ET2US—"This is to inform all amateurs that ffective Friday, 21 July, 1961, all amateur adio operations conducted by Americans here n Eritrea have ceased until further notice. No nformation regarding status of any other

"The following stations are now QRT. T2US, ET2VB and ET2US/ET2. The reason or the QRT is the lack of clarity as far as

tation license, or permits is concerned.

"It is our hope here that in the near future e will be back on the air. When and if we re, another notice will be published to that ffect, giving new call signs and pertinent data. "For the present, for all amateurs who have ontacted any of the above call signs only, we

re still processing QSL cards here. "All OSL cards for either ET2US ET2US/ET2 may be sent to the following address: Dick Cormier, USA MESA, APO 843, N. Y., N. Y., cards from USA and possessions, s.a.s.e. please. All QSL cards for ET2VB should be sent via ISWL. QSL cards for any other call sign are not processed, as we have no other records, or station logs for them, this includes old MI3US cards or prior to Feb 1958 where ET2US is concerned.

'Speaking for myself, and all the ops at ET2US and for Bob at ET2VB, we sincerely hope that we will soon be on the air again for RC with all you YL, XYL and OM."

We sure hope so, too, Dick. . .

Ethiopia: The following letter from ET3RS should be of interest to anyone needing Ethiopia. . . . "After two years of formalities, I have been able to receive a special permission to operate an amateur radio station in Ethiopia and I have specially requested this particular month to be able to participate to your contest, as I always did from Switzerland (HB9RS) or from the Principality of Liectenstein (HE1RS and HB1RS/FL). I will operate on 10, 15 and 20 m and in A3.

"My friend Albert Pierce who is in Addis Ababa, ex W4FPO and YN1EP will also operate the station during that month of October. We will send you pictures of the station, antenna, etc. very soon.

LA Jan Mayen: LA1LG/P will be there for another nine months. He is active almost every late afternoon and evening U. S. time.

LA Norway: Full list of Norwegian Suffixes for Portable Operation:

A-Oslo Town B—Ostfold C-Akershus

D—Hedmark E-Oppland

F-Buskerud G—Artic

H-Telemark I-Aust-Agder

K—Vest-Agder L—Rogaland

M—from a ship

O-Bergen Town P-Northern Ocean R-Hordaland

S-Sogn og Fjordane T-More og Romadal

U-Sor-Trondelag V-Nord-Trondelag

W-Nordland X-Troms

Y—Finnmark Z—Vestfold

VK9 Nauru Island: The following letter from Laurie, VK9AM, was received by K6CQM: "The island of Nauru is a U. N. Trust Territory administered by Australia, although Australia, New Zealand and Britain are joint trustees. The island is about 3×2 miles and has a population of 4,500. It is a coral island, but has rich phosphate deposits. About 1,500,000 tons of phosphate are shipped away each year. There are about 2,500 indigenous Nauruans.

"Although we are about on the equator, the climate here is pleasant, and fairly constant. The temperature ranges from 75 degrees minimum to 86 degrees maximum most days. Humidity 70% and annual rainfall 80 inches.

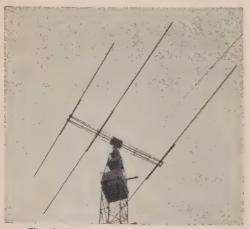
"I am the Government Medical Officer on Nauru. I am 31, married with two daughters. I have been licensed since 1958 (VK3AMK) and have been active here since Feburay, 1961. I work 20 meter phone only. I am interested in s.s.b. and if I stay here more than one term (2 years) I may get some s.s.b. equipment. I am no good at c.w.

"All of my gear is home-brew, being from surplus equipment. The transmitter uses parallel 807's and will work all bands. Modulator uses class B 807's. The receiver is a D.C. super with plug-in coils. Antenna is a dipole on 20 meters. Other equipment: home-built frequency meter, 5" CRO, grid dip osc., aerial coupling unit.

"I operate most nights about 0700-0830 GMT.

VR3 Christmas Island: VR3L is active from 0500 to 1000 GMT. The operators alternate between 14035 kc c.w. and a.m. fone (Tnx WGDXC).

XT2 Upper Volta Republic: XT2A has been showing up on occasion on 14000 kc with a T7 note. He likes QSO in French and especially likes to work F's. See QTH in appropirate place.



XW8 Laos: XW8 is now off the "ban" list an XW8AL (after a 45 day vacation in France should be making QSO's available.

ZD8 Ascension Island: ZD8JP has returned to Ascension Island and is now active on his oll frequency of 14022 kc. Look for John arount 2100 to 2230 GMT.

5U7 Niger: 5U7AH is now on s.s.b. Look for him between 0630-0930 GMT and 1800 t 2000 GMT around 14300 kc or 21400 kcs.

QTH's

AP5CP Mhod Harwar, Dacca Signal, Dacca East Pakistan

BV2A Box 101, Taipei, Formosa CN8JO Box 1224, APO 216, N.Y., N.Y. CR6CA Box 532, Benguela, Angola

CR7IZ via ZS Bureau
CX1CA ... Box 37, Montevideo, Uruguay Yamandu Luzardo, Cuaro 3159, Monte

video, Uruguay CX7BRLisandro Guianze, Colonia 1994, Monte

video, Uruguay DJØFB M. Salam, Lucas Granach str. Heides (ex SU1MS) berg Rohrback, W. Germany

DL4BSRuss Lawson, Darmstadt Postfach, 304 Germany or Box 614 6911th Radio Groun

Mobil, APO 175, N.Y., N.Y.

DL4/5 QSL Bureau DL4VJ Base MARS Statics APO 130, N.Y., N.Y.

...via W1YIS DL5QA

EA6AZ ... Lorenzo Munar-Pons, Box 303, Palna de Malloria, Balearic Islands

via K2VQQ EAGAZ Box 262, Malaga, Spain

EA8BAvia W4MXL W5ZG HC50SQ ...via ...via W8BF HM4AQ

.. Box 708, Alan Baton, Mongolian People JT1KAC Republic

JZØPM ... Brother Paul, O.S.C., Catholic Missio Agate Netherlands, New Guinea

K3HVN/PK via K6LAS KSETO/KL7via W8FMJ

...Box 181, 6102nd Supply Sqdn, AP. 328, San Francisco, Calif. KA2YA

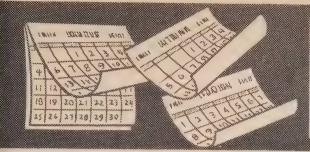
KA5KS FERO APO 925, San Francisco, Calil ... USPO Box 06/50,000, Canton Is., Soud KB6BR Pacific

KC6CG (after May 15, 1961), via VE7ZMc/o Mars Directorate, APO 23, N.Y. KG1CC

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The shack, operator, and antenna of DU1EH, who is one of the newer Philippine hams. The rig is an HQ-110, Apache and homebrew minibeam and rotator. That's a fine looking job on the tower and beam. (Tnx DU1RTI)



CONTEST

FRANK ANZALONE, W1WY

14 Sherwood Road, Stamford, Conn.

Calendar of Events

October 25-26 YLRL C.W. Party October 28-30 CO WW DX Phone November 4- 5 NYC Party November 8-9 YLRL Phone Party November 11-13 ARRL SS November 18-20 ARRL SS November 25-27 CO WW DX C.W. December 2-3 RSGB 21/28 Phone December 2- 3 OK DX C.W. December 9-10 Kansas QSO Party

YL RL

Phone

Starts: 1200 EST Wednesday, November 8th. Ends: 1800 EST Thursday, November 9th.

The 22nd annual YLRL Anniversary Party is for YLs only and Louisa told you all about it in her column last month.

The c.w. section will be over by the time you receive this issue but the phone activity is still coming up so check the YL Column last month for any additional information.

ARRL SS

Starts: 2300 GMT Saturday. Ends: 0801 GMT Monday. November 11/13 and November 18/20

You either go all out for this one or stay off the air on both these week-ends.

This contest probably draws more entries than any other single activity in ham radio. All bands will be occupied and there is little room for any other operating let alone trying to work DX, as you who have tried it know

But two week-ends, isn't that stretching it out a bit?

NYC Party

Starts: 2300 GMT Saturday, November 4th. Ends: 2300 GMT Sunday, November 5th. Here's an opportunity to work stations in the New York City area and gain as many as three separate awards, all in one week-end if the NYC boys stir up some activity.

The awards are: WNYC for working seven stations in each borough; Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens and Manhattan and two in Staten Island. WAB for working twenty (20) stations in The Bronx. And WAM for working ten (10) stations in Manhattan.

The boys up at the Bronx High School of Science dreamed up this one and full details were in last month's CALENDAR.

Logs go to: The Bronx H.S. of Science, Att: WA2BQK, 222 East 202nd Street, New York 58, N.Y.

RSGB 21/28

Starts: 0700 GMT Saturday, December 2nd. Ends: 1900 GMT Sunday, December 3rd.

A phone only contest that is confined to the 21 and 28 mc bands. Conditions permitting it can be a very interesting affair if the boys in the British Isles show more activity than has been the rule in the past.

However with the fading MUF it could be almost a total washout. Last month's CALENDAR gave a complete run-down on all the details.

Your logs go to: The R.S.G.B. Contest Committee, New Ruskin House, Little Russell Street, London W.C.1, England. Deadline is December 18th.

OK DX

Starts: 0000 GMT Sunday, December 3rd. Ends: 1200 GMT Sunday, December 3rd.

This is an international contest, starting local time Saturday night and ending early Sunday morning, 12 hours only. Rules were received too late to make this issue but see December CALENDAR.

Kansas

Starts: 1400 GMT Saturday, December 9th. Ends: 2359 GMT Sunday, December 10th.

Continuing the Kansas Centennial celebration, another QSO Party is being held on the above dates.



The Trophies, Certificate and QSL cards available during the Kansas Centennial celebration.

Still time to make a try for these attractive awards.

Kansas stations can work other Kansas stations, USA stations and DX stations on both phone and c.w.; there being two separate divisions. Stations outsde of Kansas will try to contact as many Kansas stations as possible on both phone and c.w. and will be treated as one entry only.

Your QSO should have the time, signal report and location/multiplier. Kansas stations should give their county as their location. Out

CHC/HTH 1961 Contest Results CONTINENTAL WINNERS

Europe

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DL9PF

DL6MK

Oceania

......108 KW6DG109

KH6DLF

No. America

KØIKL 227

W3WZQ181	111AGA 40	KH6DLD 44
CC	DUNTRY WINNERS	
United States	Wake Island .	SMECOR 15
KØIKL227	KW6DG109	SM5CCE 15
W5PSB215	Canada	SM5WI 15
W5WZQ181	VE3BWY145	Netherlands
Alaska	VE7BFN 33	PAØLOU 27
KL7MF 63		Poland
Hawaii	England G5GH 21	SP2AP 17
KH6DLF108		USSR
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	DL9PF108	New Zealand
KH6DKA 38	DL6MK 69	ZL4CK 21
Puerto Rico	Italy	Japan
KP4CC 59		JA2JW 15
	Sweden	
	SM5BPJ 16	

UNITED STATES WINNERS

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Arkansas	W1HGT 85	W5CK 51
K5YNA 64	Michigan	New York
California	W8WT 88	W2SAW166
K6BX157	W8NAN 64	K2QXG122
K6CJF131	W8KPL 58	Ohio
W6YC 88	Minnesota	K8KFP 56
Florida	KØIKL227	Oklahoma
W4OMV103	Missouri	K5CWR 51
W4FNQ 59	WØMCX117	Pennsylvania
Georgia	WØAUB 62	W3AHX 60
K4BAI130	KØVMZ 52	
K4BAI130 Illinois		Texas W5PSB215
K4BAI130 Illinois W9UX 68	KØVMZ 52	Texαs W5PSB215 W5WZQ181
K4BAI	N. Carolina	Texαs W5PSB215 W5WZQ181
K4BAI130	KØVMZ 52 N. Carolinα K4IEX130 K4RID82	Texas W5PSB215 W5WZQ181 W5LGG81 Washington
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of state W/K's and VE's will give their ARRL section and DX stations will give their country.

No number is required and should not be used.

The same station can be worked on more than one band for point credit but not for an additional multiplier.

Each contact counts one point, but a county, section or country can be counted only once as a multiplier.

Certificates will be awarded to the winner of each section and in each country.

The top 25 Kansas c.w. contestants and the top 25 phone entries will also receive certificates.

Following are suggested frequencies to monitor: 3550, 3900, 7050, 7250, 14050, 14250, 21050, 21350, 28050, 29000, 52000 and 144,500.

Your logs must be in the hands of the Kansas Centennial QSO Party Committee, 414 Avenue C, Wichita, Kansas before Jan. 31st 1962

The Sunflower Centennial certificate for contacting 25 Kansas stations and the Kansas Centennial Trophy awards for the top stations during 1961, are still available, and mighty attractive awards they are too.

In case you are still interested, check back to the January 1961 *CQ* or write to the Awards Committee, 1203 East Douglas, Wichita, Kansas.

CQ WW DX

Starts: 0200 GMT Saturday, November 25th. 9:00 p.m. EST Friday, November 24th. 6:00 p.m. PST Friday, November 24th.

Ends: 0200 GMT Monday, November 27th. 9:00 p.m. EST Sunday, November 26th. 6:00 p.m. EST Sunday, November 26th.

Not much more we can tell you at this late date. The Phone section is past history and the C.W. "brawl" will be coming up at the end of the month.

Once again we ask you to please send in your log regardless of the score.

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LAST MINUTE FORECAST

The forecast indices for the month of November, shown in the Propagation Charts following the predicted times of openings, are expected to be related to day-to-day propagation conditions in the following

mammet	•	Normal	Below	
		Nov. 3-5,	Normal	
		9-12,	Nov. 1-2,	
	Above	15-17,	13-14,	
Forecast	Normal	23-24,	18-19,	Disturbed
Indices	Nov. 6-8	27-30	25-26	25-26
(1)	С	D-E	E	E
(2)	В	C-D	E	E
(3)	A	B-C	D-E	E
(4)	A	A	B-C	C-D

Where:

- A—Excellent opening with strong steady signals.
- B—Good opening, moderately strong signals, with some fading noise.
- C—Fair opening, signals fluctuating between moderately strong and weak, with moderate fading and noise.
- D—Poor opening, signals generally weak, with considerable fading and a high noise level.
- E-Opening very poor, or not possible.

Conditions are expected to be somewhat below normal at the beginning of the c.w. section of the *CQ* World Wide DX Contest on November 26th, but they are expected to improve, becoming normal on the 27th and 28th.

CQ DX Contest

HE c.w. Section of the 1961 CQ World Wide DX Contest will be held from 0200 GMT November 26 to 0200 GMT November 28. Special DX Propagation Charts for use during the contest appeared in last month's column. Be sure to check these Charts for predictions of band openings and for other propagation data which should be useful during the c.w. Section of the contest.

General Conditions

During November, a seasonal rise in maximum usable frequencies takes place during the daylight hours on circuits to most areas of the world. In the northern hemisphere, static and tonospheric absorption are at seasonally low

levels, and should result in strong signals occurring during many band openings.

The ten meter band is expected to open to many areas of the world during the daylight hours, although openings are expected to be less frequent than last winter as a result of reduced sunspot activity. Fifteen meters is also predicted to open to most areas of the world during the daylight hours.

Twenty meter openings are expected to peak shortly after sunrise, and again during the late afternoon hours. On some circuits, 20 meters may remain open through the early evening hours.

A greater number of nighttime openings are predicted for the 40, 80 and 160 meter bands during November. Signal levels are expected to be stronger and these bands will remain open for longer periods of time than during the summer and early fall months.

The 40 meter band is predicted to open on some DX circuits as early as the late afternoon hours. It is expected to remain open to one area of the world or another through the hours of darkness, and until shortly after dawn. Openings to many areas of the world during the nighttime hours are also predicted for 80 meters. Propagation conditions on 160 meters are improving and some DX openings during the nighttime hours are forecast for this band.

As a result of declining sunspot activity, nighttime propagation conditions and 40, 80 and 160 meters are expected to improve considerably this winter. Conditions on these bands are predicted to be better than they have been since the winter of 1954.

The Leonids meteor shower is expected to occur between November 14 and 18. This should result in an increase in meteor-type ionospheric openings on 10 meters and the v.h.f. amateur bands during this period.

This month's COLUMN contains Short-Skip Propagation Charts for use within the continental United States for distances up to approximately 2300 miles. Special Charts centered on the new states of Alaska and Hawaii are also included.

Sunspot Cycle

The present sunspot cycle continues to decline slowly, but steadily. The Zurich Solar Observatory reports a monthly sunspot number of 52 for August 1961. This results in a 12

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LOCAL STANDARD TIME AT PATH MID-POINT

		LOCAL STANDAL	(D TIME AT FATE	MID I OIITI
BAND METERS	50-250 Miles	250-750 Miles	750-1300 Miles	1300-2300 Miles
10	NIL	NIL	9 A - 11A (0-1) 11A - 3 P (0-2) 3 P - 5 P (0-1)	8 A - 9 A (0-1) 9 A - 11A (1-2) 11A - 3 P (2-3) 3 P - 5 P (1-2) 5 P - 7 P (0-1)
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160	9 A - 5 P (1-9) 5 P - 7 P (3-2) 7 P - 7 A (4) 7 A - 9 A (3-2)	5 P - 7 P (2-1) 7 P - 7 A (4) 7 A - 9 A (2-1)	5 P - 7 P (1-0) 7 P - 9 P (4-2) 9 P - 4 A (4) 4 A - 6 A (4-2) 6 A - 7 A (4-1) 7 A - 9 A (1-0)	7 P - 9 P (2-1) 9 P - 4 A (4-3) 4 A - 6 A (2-1) 6 A - 7 A (1-0)

HAWAI

Openings given in Hawaiian Standard Time***

TO:				
	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40/80* Meters
Eastern USA	6 A - 7 A (1) 7 A - 10A (2)	6 A - 7 A (1) 7 A - 12N (2)	6 A - 8 A (2) 8 A - 1 P (1)	4 P - 6 P (1) 6 P - 2 A (3)
USA	10A - 12N(3)	12N - 2 P (3)	1 P - 2 P (2)	2 A - 4 A(1)
	12N - 1 P (2)	2 P - 3 P (2)	2 P - 5 P (3)	6 P -8 P (1)*
	1 P - 3 P (1)	3 P - 5 P (1)	5 P - 7 P (2) 7 P - 9 P (1)	8 P - 1 A(2)* 1 A - 3 A(1)*
Central	6 A - 7 A (1)	6 A - 7 A (1)	6 A - 8 A (3)	4 P - 6 P (1)
USA	7 A - 9 A (2)	7 A - 1 P (3)	8 A - 1 P (2)	6 P ~ 2 A(3)
	9 A - I P (4)	1 P - 3 P (4)	1 P - 2 P (3)	2 A - 4 A(1)
	1 P ~ 2 P (3)	3 P - 4 P (3)	2 P - 5 P (4)	6 P -8 P(1)*
	2 P - 3 P (2)	4 P - 5 P (2)	5 P - 6 P (3)	8 P - 2 A (2)* 2 A - 4 A (1)*
	3 P - 5 P (1)	5 P - 6 P (1)	6 P - 7 P (2) 7 P - 10P (1)	2 A - 4 A (1)
Western	6 A - 7 A (1)	6 A - 7 A (1)	6 A - 7 A (2)	4 P - 5 P (1)
USA	7 A - 9 A (2)	7 A - 8 A (2)	7 A - 10A (4)	5 P - 6 P (2)
	9 A = 2 P (3)	8 A - 2 P (4)	10A - 3 P (3)	6 P - 1 A (4)
	2 P - 4 P (2)	2 P - 4 P (3)	3 P - 5 P (4)	1 A - 4 A (3)
	4P-6P(1)	4 P - 5 P (2)	5 P - 6 P (3)	4 A - 6 A(2)
		5 P - 6 P (1)	6 P - 7 P (2)	6 A - 8 A(1)
			7 P - 11P (1)	5 P - 6 P (1)*
				6 P - 8 P (2)*
				8 P - 4 A (3)* 4 A - 5 A (2)*
				5 A - 6 A (1)*

*Indicates prédicted 80 meter openings. The 160 meter band is likely to open during those times when 80 meter openings are rated (2) or better.

**Hawaiian Standard Time is equivalent to:

Eastern Standard Time minus five hours; Central Standard Time minus four hours; Mountain Standard Time minus three hours; Pacific Standard Time minus two hours,

month running smoothed sunspot number of 74 centered on February 1961. A smoothed sunspot number of 57 is predicted by *CQ* for November 1961. This is approximately the same level of sunspot activity as occurred during the winters of 1951, 1945 and 1941.

ALASKA

Openings given in Alaskan Standard Time**

TO:				
	10 Meters	15 Meters	20 Meters	40/80° Meters
Eastern USA	9 A - 11A (1) 11A - 2 P (2) 2 P - 3 P (1)	8 A - 12N (2) 12N - 2 P (3) 2 P - 3 P (2) 3 P - 4 P (1)	7 A - 1 P (1) 1 P - 5 P (2) 5 P - 7 P (1)	9 P - 2 A (1)
Central USA	11A - 4 P (1)	9 A - 11A (1) 11A - 1 P (2) 1 P - 3 P (3) 3 P - 4 P (2) 4 P - 5 P (1)	8 A - 2 P (1) 2 P - 5 P (2) 5 P - 7 P (1)	9 P - 3 A (1)
Western USA	11A - 1 P (1) 1 P - 3 P (2) 3 P - 4 P (1)	10A - 11A (1) 11A - 12N (2) 12N - 3 P (3) 3 P - 4 P (2) 4 P - 5 P (1)	9 A ~ 2 P (2) 2 P ~ 5 P (3) 5 P ~ 6 P (2) 6 P ~ 7 P (1)	11P - 6 A (2) 1 A - 6 A (1)*

**There are four different time zones in Alaska. This Chart is base on standard time in the zone from Skagway to 141 degrees west longitude. Time in this area is equivalent to:

> Eastern Standard Time minus four hours; Central Standard Time minus three hours; Mountain Standard Time minus two hours; Pacific Standard Time minus one hour.

FORECAST INDICES

Circuits shown in the Propagation Charts are forecast to open:

- (1) Less than 7 days during the forecast period.
- (2) Between 8 and 13 days during the forecast period.
- (3) Between 14 and 22 days during the forecast period.
- (4) More than 22 days during the forecast period.

Where two forecast indices are shown within a parenthesis, the first applies to the forecast for the shorter distance range, and the second to the forecast for the longer distance.

A - A. M. P - P. M. N - Noon M - Midnight

The reception quality expected during openings (signal strength, noise and fading levels), as well as the specific days on which each circuit is likely to open, are shown in the "Last Minute Forceast" appearing elsewhere in the text.

The QQ Short-Skip Propagation Charts are based upon a CW effective radiated power of 75 watts from a half-wave dipole antenna, a half-wave or higher above ground. The Charts are valid through November 30, 1961. These forecasts are based upon basic propagation data published by the Central Radio Propagation Laboratory of the National Bureau of Standards, Boulder, Colorado.

The Central Radio Propagation Laboratory

Users of the Propagation Charts which appear in this Column every month are aware of the great contributions to communications that the Central Radio Propagation Laboratory (CRPL) of the National Bureau of Standards has made in the development of techniques for predicting propagation conditions throughout the world. This month CQ visits the Boulder Colorado Laboratory of CRPL to bring to its readers the inside story of this organization which is made up of some of the world's leading experts in the field of wave propagation.

Propagation Research Begun In 1909

Research into radio propagation by the National Bureau of Standards dates back to 1909 when measurements were first made on long wave radio signals. Long before the actual discovery of the ionosphere, the Bureau has played an important role in the development of early propagation theories, many of which are still valid today.

After the discovery of the ionosphere in 1924 and the introduction of pulse techniques fo measuring ionospheric densities and laye heights, the National Bureau of Standards ex

cated at Boulder, Colorado, in e shadow of the Rocky Mounins, this reinforced concrete tilding houses the Central adio Propagation Laboratory the National Bureau of andards. (Official National Buau of Standards Photo)



nded its propagation studies to the high freuency range. In the following seventeen years, the Bureau was responsible for developing tuch of today's theories concerning the propatation of high frequency radio waves through the ionosphere, and many of the techniques sed for predicting their behavior. The Bureau's rogram during these early years not only intuded the study of radio physics, but also the evelopment of widely used navigational aids, the as the aircraft beacon and ILS blind landing system. Bureau engineers and scientists ontributed much to this country's early develpment of radar systems and techniques.

Early during World War II, the Bureau of tandards scientists working in the field of adio propagation formed the nucleus for the stablishment of the Interservice Radio Propaation Laboratory (IRPL). This Laboratory, nder the command of the combined chiefs of aff of the U.S. Armed Forces, provided the rmed Services with valuable information on adio propagation conditions. Perhaps the greatst contribution made by the IRPL was the evelopment of simplified radio frequency prejection techniques which made it possible to stablish reliable, efficient communications in lmost all areas of the world.

After the War, the functions of the IRPL rere incorporated into a new organization alled the Central Radio Propagation Laborabry. In civilian attire once again, CRPL beame a separate division of the National Bureau f Standards in 1946 as a result of joint recomnendation by a number of Federal Agencies and with the concurrence of Congress.

In 1954, CRPL transferred to its present ocation in Boulder, Colorado. The Boulder ocation for the Laboratory, in an uncongested rea at the foot of the Rockies and neighboring ne University of Colorado, is ideal for radio ropagation experiments. Here the climate llows year-round field work, and the varied errain makes it possible to use a wide variety f transmitter and receiving station arrangenents for progagation experiments. A network f field stations, extending from the poles to ne tropics, some operated by the National Bueau of Standards, others furnishing data on a ontract or exchange basis, completes the failities presently available to CRPL for radio ropagation research and experimentation.

The Mission of CRPL

The Central Radio Propagation Laboratory is directed by Dr. Fred W. Brown. It is the central agency of the Federal Government for obtaining, analyzing, and disseminating information on the propagation of radio waves at all frequencies along the surface of the earth, in the atmosphere and in space. The Laboratory also performs scientific studies looking toward the development of new techniques for the efficient use and conservation of the radio spectrum. To carry out this responsibility, the CRPL:

- 1. Acts as the primary agency for the conduct of basic research on the nature of radio waves, the nature of the media through which radio waves are transmitted, the interaction of radio waves with those media, and on the nature of radio noise and interference effects. This includes compilation of reports by other foreign and domestic agencies conducting research in this field and furnishing advice to government and non-government groups conducting propagation research.
- 2. Performs studies of specific radio propagation mechanisms and performs scientific studies looking toward the development of techniques for efficient use and conservation of the radio frequency spectrum as part of its regular program or as requested by other government agencies. In an advisory capacity, coordinates studies in this area undertaken by other government agencies.
- Furnishes advisory and consultative service on radio wave propagation, on radio frequency utilization, and on radio systems problems to other organizations within the United States, public or private.
- Prepares and issues predictions of radio wave propagation and noise conditions and warnings of disturbances in these conditions.
- Acts as a central repository for data, reports, and information in the field of radio propagation.
- Performs scientific liaison and exchanges data and information with other countries to advance knowledge of radio wave propagation and interference phenomena and spec-

trum conservation techniques, including that liaison required by international responsibilities and agreements.

Although the basic objective of CRPL is to improve the quality of radio communication insofar as it is affected by propagation and by noise and interference effects, the investigations required to meet this objective have led to basic studies of the upper and lower atmosphere, the sun, relations between phenomena on the sun and in the earth's atmosphere, and studies of planets and stars which are emitting radio energy. To cope effectively with this wide range of scientific activity, the Laboratory is divided into four separate divisions: Ionospheric Research and Propagation, Radio Propagation Engineering, Radio Systems, and Upper Asmosphere and Space Physics.

Ionospheric Research and Propagation

The program of this division is directed toward a better understanding of the ionosphere, that portion of the earth's atmosphere lying between approximately 50 and 500 miles above the earth's surface, and toward solution of practical problems of radio communication via this medium.

The division investigates ionospheric propagation over a very wide range of frequencies from the very low (v.l.f.) to the very high (v.h.f.) areas of the spectrum. Much of the "raw data" concerning the ionosphere is collected by the Ionospheric Research and Propagation division from hourly soundings of the ionosphere taken at more than 100 different locations throughout the world.

Studies of an increasing interest now being carried out by this division deal with such subjects as v.h.f. equatorial propagation, the intensity and occurrence of sporadio-E propagation throughout the world, polar radio blackouts and their cause of effect on h.f. communication circuits, the relationship between the earth's magnetic field and the ionosphere in equatorial regions and in polar regions, and the mechanisms responsible for ionospheric propagation.

There is a close relationship between the ionosphere and solar activity. To determine its extent, CRPL's Ionospheric Research and Propagation division also conducts radio observations of the sun's activity, statistical studies of solar phenomena, and studies of the physics of the sun. These solar radio studies have immediate bearing on many aspects of ionospheric research including the investigation of the 11 year sunspot cycle on radio waves reflected from the ionosphere.

Prediction & Radio Warning Services

Prediction services and publication of solar and geo-physical data are an important aspect of the program of the Ionospheric Research and Propagation division. This information is needed on a prompt basis for use by commercial and government communication organizations for operational and planning purposes. CRPL prediction services are utilized in the prepartion of the Propagation Charts which appear this column every month.

The prediction services consist of the follow ing (1) the CRPL-D series, Basic Radio Prop gation Predictions, which are concerned wi long-term predictions of ionospheric commur cation conditions, issued as a monthly public tion, forecasting three months in advanmaximum usable frequencies for radio sk wave transmissions. This series is supplemented by the CRPL-Ja series, Semi-Monthly Frequence Revision Factors for CRPL Basic Radio Pro agation Prediction Reports. (2) World maps ionospheric characteristics for prediction of F layer ionospheric communications, prepared for sunspot number 50, together with maps showing the rate of change of critical frequency ar factor with sunspot number. These maps ca be used for calculating m.u.f.'s for any circu for any period of solar activity. (3) The CRPI F series, which is concerned with statistic analysis of ionospheric data for use in predi tion studies and in research concerning the upper atmosphere and sun-earth relationship This series consists of Part A: Ionospheric Dat and Part B: Solar-Geophysical Data. The publications go to institutions participating the international program of cooperative e change of ionospheric, solar and geophysic data, and are also available to research organ zations throughout the world. (4) Final pu lication of data collected during the IGY ar its extensions, including U.S. solar data, speci sunspot number information, and a calend record of solar activity and associated ph nomena for each day of the IGY. Information on the conditions of sale for the above me tioned documents can be obtained directly fro

Of equal importance, but on an immedia availability basis, are CRPL's radio warning services. Forecasts of radio propagation co ditions in the high frequency spectrum a distributed by mail, Teletype, telephone, ar radio broadcasts. These forecasts are based of up-to-the minute analysis of prevailing rad propagation, solar, ionospheric, and geomagnet activity as reported by a world wide netwo of cooperating solar and geophysical observ tories. Most important of the services are the systematic forecasts of radio propagation co ditions on radio paths in the North Atlant and North Pacific areas. To implement the actual forecasts, a warning center at Ft. Belvo Virginia operates on a 24 hour basis, as another at Anchorage, Alaska on a 15 ho schedule. Research to improve forecasting tec niques is carried on continuously by the La oratory.

Forecasts of radio propagation conditionare broadcast twice an hour on National Bure of Standards radio stations WWV and WWV Latest schedules for these broadcasts can obtained directly from the Boulder Laborator

Several of the CRPL publications which make it possible to predict propagation conditions for an h.f. radio circuit. Top: F-Series, Part A, Ionospheric Data. Center: D-Series, Basic Radio Predictions. Bottom: F-Series, Part B, Solar-Geophysical Data. (Official National Bureau of Standards Photo)

Forecasts, and a record of observed conditions for the past week are distributed by mail in CRPL series J, Jp, Jb and Jb', which are available upon request from CRPL. Records of the forecasts for an entire month and the degree of their success are published monthly in the CRPL-F series.

In connection with obtaining ionospheric data for research studies and the prediction services, the Ionospheric Research and Propagation division maintains field stations located as far north as Barrow, Alaska and as far south as the South Pole, Antarctica. A rather extensive ionospheric physics program is carried out in the Antarctic.

Radio Propagation Engineering Division

In the troposphere (from the earth's surface to about six miles high) the strength and fading properties of radio waves are affected by the weather, climate and terrain. A basic limitation in all areas of the atmosphere is the interference or radio noise which the signal must overcome. These and other properties must be estimated to design and allocate communication, broadcasting, and navigational facilities and to meet urgent needs for increased circuit reliability and economy of operation in the v.h.f. and microwave areas of the spectrum.

Through experimental studies in radio meteorology, physics of the lower atmosphere, terrain effects and radio noise, this division attempts to describe the propagation phenomena involved (i.e. how a signal "bends" over a mountain peak, or how signal strength is affected by atmospheric variations, etc.). From such studies, methods are developed for predicting the characteristics of v.h.f. and microwave propagation and noise which must be known, for engineering application to actual radio circuits.

Consultative and advisory services, based on the work of the division, are provided to other government agencies, industry, and national and international technical organizations.

Inherent in the tropospheric propagation studies undertaken by the Radio Propagation Engineering division is the development of methods for predicting the performance of a radio system which is to operate in the v.h.f. or microwave region. The ability to predict the performance of a radio system often eliminates the necessity for making extensive test measurements, and makes it possible to rapidly evaluate a large number of sites and select the one best suited to fulfill the requirements. The prediction methods developed by the division are



widely used to design long-distance tropospheric communication circuits. Optimum frequencies, antenna size, and transmitter power are determined by using information gained from site surveys conducted by the division, topographic map studies, and tropospheric propagation theory. These studies have led to the more efficient allocation of frequencies and to the development of more efficient radio circuits for v.h.f. and microwave communications.

Radio Systems Division

Experimental and theoretical studies of radio propagation, closely related to problems of antennas, noise, modulation, detection and band-width requirements, frequency utilization, and the operational requirements of radio services, are conducted by this division. The division investigates radio systems in their entirety.

Among the projects upon which the Radio Systems division is engaged at present is the investigation of h.f. trans-auroral communication. Ionospheric radio propagation is unstable over radio paths that cross the polar cap or pass through regions of maximum auroral activity which takes place in the high latitudes. The division is conducting extensive h.f. transmission tests through and within the northern auroral zone, and across the polar cap to determine typical circuit losses, evaluate special high frequency modulation techniques for reducing distortion, and to learn more about the propagation mechanism involved in order to develop a radio system which may eventually permit efficient communication in this area of the world.

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6th Annual *CQ* World Wide S.S.B. Contest March 24-25, 1962

THE 6th Annual CQ World Wide S.S.B. Contest is being re-scheduled for March 24-25, 1962 instead of late January in order to take advantage of the better conditions that prevail. Ordinarily, we would announce the rules in this issue for a contest in January. However, with the change in date, the contest rules will be included in our January column.

This advance notice will give you plenty of time to send for contest forms early. For a sufficient supply of these official forms, please send us a large self-addressed envelope with *double postage* for the type of mail service desired. Send your envelopes to us to the address at the top of this column for fastest service!

We are completing a brand new set of rules which will return the 6th Annual CQ Worldwide S.S.B. Contest to the status of strictly DX competition. Watch for the new rules in the January CQ!

S.S.B. DX Reaches New Pinnacle

NEW milestone in s.s.b. DX operation was reached when Humberto Perez, TI2HP, received his 250th confirmation for a two-way DX contact. Only a scant two years ago, it was quite a distinction to be able to qualify for the "Worked 100" Certificate and now we have Humberto at the 250 mark, with several others close behind. Before too long, we imagine that the magic number of "Worked 300" on sideband will be achieved. Who will earn the first certificate?

Another event that pleased us was the qualification of George Pearson, G3AWZ, for the "Worked 200" Certificate. George has a host of good friends from his a.m. days and, when he appeared on sideband, he was issued a royal welcome. Having worked so much DX on other modes, George found himself with little interest in joining the race again for s.s.b. DX. But you can't keep a good DX man like George idle for long. With substantial encouragement and urging, George re-entered DX competition and, in record time, became the first station in the U.K. to be awarded the "Worked 200" Certificate. George has proved himself to be a staunch and true friend to many hams, always willing to extend himself to help where help is needed. It is truly fitting that G3AWZ should earn the distinction which he now holds.

Eeeny Meeny Mineey...

With a number of exciters, linears and receivers available, it has become increasingly difficult for the neophyte sidebander to decide on what equipment he should spend his poken winnings (or do you have another way of explaining to the XYL how you came by the money honestly?). The ads in the various hampublications extoll the virtures of the "Super DX Sniffer", "Ultra Suppressed Sideband Exciter" and the "QRM Busting Linear". Asking your friends sometimes can add to the confusion by the facility with which they throw the terms "p.e.p.", "Filter", "Phasing", "Grounded Grid" and other esoterica around. Reseasy . . . before long you will be one of the gang and hep to the parlance.

We have been asked from time to time to recommend rigs to incipient sidebanders. We wish that there was a completely satisfactory answer. All the reputable manufacturers make fine equipment and back their gear with honest warranties. We feel the sensible way to start is to study the equipment you presently own Can you add a sideband generator or is it preferable to start with a sideband oriented exciter or exciter/transmitter? Is your present a.m. final easily convertible to linear service?

Sideband exciters break down into three classifications: Generators for use with your present a.m. equipment, low powered exciters suitable for driving tuned grid linears and exciter/transmitters which can be used "barefoot" or as a driver for a grounded-grid linear.

The sideband generator, such as the Heath SB-10 or the B&W 51SB unit can be used with existing a.m. equipment to put a satisfactory signal on the air.

More sophisticated, specifically sideband gear begins with units such as the C.E. 10B or 20A which have most of the features of the higher priced units but are designed for use with linear amplifiers to boost their 10 to 20 watt p.e.p. input to higher levels. These units usually have a modest price tag but the addition of a linear, unless you make use of your old a.m. final or are adept at home-brewing, brings the price up to that of the medium powered exciter/transmitter units such as the HT-37, 32S-1, HX-500, 200V or Invader. With the medium power comes a higher price tag and more luxurious appointments and refinements. These units are complete transmitters and can be used directly into an antenna without the need of a linear amplifier.

Whatever your choice of equipment, we are sure that the brand of equipment you purchase will represent the best that the designer and the manufacturer can produce at the price. Properly adjusted and operated it will provide you with many hours of sideband fun.

Ham Radio TV Series Planned

An exciting new TV series, The World is Yours, based on the colorful experiences of amateur radio operators, has been developed by Don Cordray, WA6MSE, of Van Nuys, California. Don is well known on 20 meter sideband and has been a ham since 1926. His career includes 10 years of TV acting and announcing for NBC so he is particularly well fitted to act as host on this new series which he will also write and produce. Don plans to interview two outstanding hams weekly and has secured the cooperation of radio societies throughout the world who will send him films of amateurs in their countries. Since we all know how fascinating a program of this kind could be, we wish Don the best of luck in convincing the TV powers-that-be that time should be allotted to The World is Yours.

Chance of a Lifetime

Thanks to the efforts of Sid, G3NUY, and Bob, G3KGC, plans are now being made to fly a group of DX sidebanders to New York



City for the 11th Annual Hamfest and Banquet sponsored by the Single Sideband Amateur Radio Association in late March, 1962. The round trip fare will be 70 pounds or less (\$200) according to the number travelling. The entire round trip will be approximately 4 days and will include a visit to the IRE Convention, a tour of New York City and the Sideband Hamfest and Banquet. The trip will be made via a major international air line charter flight. Since the number of intended travellers is restricted, it is urged that anyone interested immediately contact Sid Almond, G3NUY, 265, Longley Lane, Gatley, Cheshire, or Bob Morgan, G3KGC, 12 Sussex Ring, London, N 12.

The trip will not be restricted to s.s.b. amateurs; all amateurs are welcome to join in this chance of a lifetime. Get in touch with Sid or Bob at once.

Marathon Sked Nears 2000 Mark

On April 30, 1954, Empty, ZS6KD, in Johannesburg, South Africa, and Butch, W9EWC, in Hilbert, Wisconsin, began a series of schedules between their two stations which they have maintained for 1,966 sessions. Their skeds culminated in a personal meeting between Empty and his charming XYL, Audrey, with Butch and his family in Wisconsin in 1959. In a recent contact with Empty on 15 meters, he mentioned that, except for those rare times when either he or Butch have been away on holiday, they have met their skeds with the regularity of clockwork. Bearing in mind the poor conditions that have, over the past few vears, afflicted the low frequency bands, we take off our hats to these two gentlemen who have developed such a strong friendship and who have demonstrated the superiority of sideband schedules over the past 7 years. Listen for them on 15 meters and enjoy their 2,000th schedule celebration.

Getting The Right Start On Sideband

The big day has arrived! You've made your first contact on single sideband; a bit nervous perhaps because of your unfamiliarity with the new mode and a little upset by the constant



Two of the most active sidebanders in Israel are Mosh, 4X4FA, (I) and Aron, 4X4FQ, (r). Each runs homebrew equipment, Aron with a filter type exciter and Mosh with a phasing type exciter and they each put out a very fine signal. Aron informed us that the following are also now on sideband: 4X4 CW, DK, FA, FQ, IX, LC, JT, JM, CX, AS, and ES—quite a contingent!



Here is Camp Wafra in the Neutral Zone, site of 9K3TL/NZ operation. The air-conditioned trailer made life unexpectedly pleasant for the boys.

clicking of the relay during vox operation. You will find that, in a day or two, the relay will cease to bother you. Every rig has an adjustment which permits the operator to lengthen the time delay between relay clicks and another adjustment for the anti-trip control so that background noises or loud signals in your speaker will not cause the transmitter to go into operation. Experiment with these controls until you get the proper balance between them. With a little practice, your use of vox will improve to the point where you will not try to get the very last word out of that one breath intake but will speak with natural pauses, ignoring the changeover from transmit to receive.

As we pointed out in a previous issue, it is absolutely necessary that you zero beat the frequency exactly. This is important as it leaves more channels clear, facilitates break-in of additional stations when desirable, and also permits you to hear all parts of the QSO without constantly retuning. It is also a courtesy to listening hams who may be enjoying your conversation while doing other work in their shacks.

Here is an interesting point advanced by Alan, VK3AHR, (who, along with others, has contributed much to this series), regarding "title" to a frequency. If you find a clear channel, initiate a call and are answered by someone, the other station should vacate the frequency to you when the QSO is finished. If, at the end of the QSO, someone comes on and calls him, he should say, "Let's move off this frequency to . . . kc." Of course, if you announce that you are closing down after the QSO, they may continue to use the frequency if they wish to. However, if you are called by a DX station who, in turn, is called by other W/Ks at the completion of the QSO, courteous practice dictates that you should relinquish the frequency to the DX station. With so many W/K stations interested in working DX, it is logical to move off the frequency and permit

your fellow hams to work the DX station now that he has broken through the QRM.

Speaking of breaking, yelling "break, break, break" is not the proper way to join a QSO. Good operators will probably ignore you completely if you choose this method of interruption. The right way to join a QSO is to call one of the stations on frequency by call and give your own call once or twice. However, you should realize that, when the parties to the QSO are engaged in earnest conversation, they may not wish to include a third party; that is their privilege and you should respect it. Listen to the conversation for a while to see if an addition would really be welcome. Don't try to break in in the middle of a subject or discussion, even if it means waiting for quite a while, or if they are two old friends enjoying a private 2-way chat. If you wish just a quick report, request it with due humility at the proper moment in the QSO and briefly. There



The top DX men who put 9K3TL/NZ on the air: I. to r.; Bryan, MP4QAO (and ten other calls); Vic, W1TYQ; Rundy, OD5CT; and Jack, HB9TL. According to Jack, they had everything: lots of heat, lots of sand, lots of beer, and lots of fun!

is absolutely no need to include an unsolicited, detailed description of your rig, your location, and a weather report.

There will be many occasions when you will hear a DX station in conversation with one of his friends. The mere fact that you need that country is not sufficient reason for you to interrupt the QSO. Most DX stations devote many hours to giving out rapid fire reports to satisfy the hordes of operators who have never worked their country before. However, the DX operator appreciates the opportunity even more than most to have an uninterrupted ragchew so, if you should come upon him in one of these moments, have the courtesy and good sense to leave him alone until he is finished with his chat, no matter how long it takes. There will always be another day when you can get your report.

On the subject of DX operation, despite all the recent controversy as to DX portions, the majority of DX stations still operate in the area between 14.300 and 14.320. We realize that it is only ignorance of this fact that causes so many high power W/K stations to consistently, though innocently, QRM this part of the band. However, with the frequencies 14.270-14.300 and 14.320-14.350 available for rag-

chewing, traffic handling, phone patching, etc., we suggest that the non-DXer consider the activities of the foreign sidebanders in this 20 kc segment above 14.300 and steer clear of this area. To be specific, many of the rare Russian stations are crystal controlled on 14.301, 14.303, and 14.310 as are many of the DXpeditions. The attitude of the ragchewers should not be "So what" but rather let's move down and leave these frequencies clear for those interested in DX work, never forgetting that 20 meters is the prime DX band. It takes so little effort to be courteous!

We'll continue next month with 40-80 s.s.b. operation, more on 20 meter DX, and other topics which we hope will be of interest to you.

Some Thoughts on Frequency Allocations

The result of the survey made by the ARRL recently affirmed what most sidebanders had suspected; s.s.b. operation has increased and is continuing to increase on all the bands. In case you did not happen to see the results of the summary, they ran this way: 46% of all phone operation on all the bands is now s.s.b. with the usage of s.s.b. about 50% on 75 and 15 meters. Our good friend Ted Wilds, KZ5SW/W4GVD, in a recent letter made some observations which we think worthy of repeating in part. Ted points out that although s.s.b. usage is roughly 50% of phone operation, sidebanders



Lightning can't strike twice but we can goof twice. Every time we've mentioned Clair Miller of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, (right above) we've used the wrong call! This time we know we're right! Clair's call is WØKFA and he's shown above with another famous Cedar Rapids sidebander, Chuck, WØCVU, who recently earned Certificate #31 for "Worked 200."

have somewhat less than that amount of frequencies to move about in; 34% on 75 meters, 25% on 40 meters, 50% on 20 meters, 25% on 15 meters, 8.35% on 10 meters.

To quote Ted, "The a.m. attitude toward s.s.b. seems to be 'They are just a few crackpots who spread out all over my (obsolescent) trusty ole HQ-117. Pay 'em no mind!' Conversely, the rabid sidebander's opinion of the a.m. station operators seems to follow this line: 'Nobody who is anybody is still on a.m. Listen around, the whole gang is now on s.s.b.'

The results of the ARRL survey would give the lie to fanatics on both sides of the b.f.o. It is time for calmer minds to give serious thought to how best our bands be used in fairness to all. It seems unlikely that the FCC will do away with a.m. in the h.f. bands as has been predicted by some, but a glance at the ads will show that no major manufacturer is devoting much time, advertising or factory space to the production of high power a.m. equipment.

"It is apparent that a.m. and s.s.b. are not compatible frequency-wise. The 40 and 75 meter bands are a mess with the two modes competing throughout the bands. The time has come to remedy the situation by general agreement on these bands as well as on the DX bands. S.s.b. activity on 10 meters has been slim although the band has been open daily, as the a.m. gang will attest. S.s.b. space on ten should be a small slice due to the lack of usage and because the newcomer to the air can make good use of a.m. with low power and financial investment. But the s.s.b. segment should be kept carrier free. The table shows a suggested division of the h.f. bands that could be workable and would be fair to all phone operators for some time to come. As s.s.b. usage increases in the future, a re-alignment might be in order."

Phone band 28.500-29.700 Exclusive A.M. Exclusive S.S.B. 28.500-29.700 28.500-28.650 28.650-28.750

 21.250-21.450
 21.250-21.350
 21.350-21.450

 14.200-14.350
 14.200-14.275
 14.275-14.350*

 7.200- 7.300
 7.250- 7.300
 7.200- 7.250

 3.800- 4.000
 3.900- 4.000
 3.800- 3.900

*If the s.s.b. group decides by an actual survey that it is desirable to take away the top 15 kc from the DX chasers stateside, the a.m. fraternity should *not* be penalized by a reduction of space.

A Letter From Sweden

"Hello there, Dorothy and Irv!

You are perhaps a little surprised to get a letter from Sweden? Well, we read CQ The Radio Amateur's Journal up here in Sweden also. The reason why we are writing is that we worked a lot of s.s.b. a couple of weeks



Looking cool, calm, and collected is Bob, K4AJ, of Largo, Fla. who has long been a sideband enthusiast.

ago. That was on the fieldcamp SM4XA in Dala-Storsund near Falun and we means in this letter the hamgang from Gävle most of the time hanging around the s.s.b. rig. All of us are members of the old-fashioned-boys-still-using-the carrier-club, but, after that week at the s.s.b. rig, we are all digging in our junk-boxes for something that can be useful in a s.s.b. transmitter. Before I go on in this letter, I must say please excuse my bad English and how I spell, Hope that you have fun when you read it, hi! (Ed. note: we wish we could write in Swedish as well as you write in English!)

"Every year we have a fieldcamp here in this part of Sweden. It is open for all hams all over the world. Of course, there are more SM-hams than hams from other countries (this year we were about 100, plus our families) and we were very glad to meet on the camp this year G3JUB, LA2AD, LA4K with family, and OH2KK with XYL, Sinni. G3JUB has been here 12 times on holidays and he visits first the camp and after he stays a couple of days with some of us hams around here.

"We had a lot of fine stations on the camp this year. We liked most of all the Collins KWM-2 transceiver and we used it, sometimes followed by the Viking Courier. The Viking Invader was used for local QSOs with SM, OH, LA, and OZ on 40 and 80 meters with an RME 6900 receiver. SM5EY had his s.s.b. exciter on the camp and we liked it very much. It is very simple to build that one and it works very fine. On 144 mc, we used SM3WB's rig and a 13 element long yagi.

"On Saturday afternoon when I arrived at the fieldcamp, SM3WB and SM4GL (the organizers of the camp) met me and told me that I was selected to watch over the KWM-2. I had never seen a KWM-2 before but I found it very easy to work that rig. At 0016 the first night on the camp, we started our s.s.b. working with a very nice and 100% QSO with K1JJJ in Mass. We got 5 and 8/9 and our antenna was a Hy-Gain Vertical for four bands. The conditions were not so good that night for DX so we worked only 10 QSOs before we went to bed. The day after, we worked a lot



Sideband operation at the Swedish fieldcamp, SM4XA, obviously had these boys enthralled. L. to r., Chris, SM3CFM; Andy, SM3CNN; and Dick, SM3CBR. (Photo courtesy of Lars, SM3AVQ)

of European stations and then at midnight we had a complete WAC s.s.b. 14 mc. The conditions were nearly the same the whole week, perhaps a little better when we got W2FGV, 1930 GMT and W8MEM, 1940 GMT. We pushed SM5BL's YL, Britta (SM5CEW) to the mike and that brought us YV5AFF, Susan (see CQ, Dec., 1960), W2NUT, K1LBL, and later PY4AS. We could not go on in that fine conditions because we had very bad GI (Gramophone Interference, hi). You see we had a dance every night and the s.s.b. rig was placed next door to the Gramophone they used for the dance music. We could never decide on what was most important: to dance or to work DX!

"Here is the result of our working with s.s.b.: 80 prefixes, 49 countries, WAC, WBE, and 2nd degree R6K, all on 14 mc s.s.b. Best of luck to all you s.s.b. hams over there and especially to the stations we worked from



Don Cordray, WA6MSE, who is writer-producer-host of a planned TV series on amateur radio The World Is Yours.

SM4XA camp. Do not worry about QSLs, we have them made out here. We hope that some of you can visit us on the SM4XA camp in the future and we are looking forward to working you from our own stations on s.s.b.!

73s and all the best, Lars Olsson, SM3AVQ"

Remembering back to our own introduction to sideband, we can fully appreciate the delight that these boys found in working this new mode for the first time and we certainly hope that they will each be able to join us on sideband on a permanent basis.

Band Hopping

We keep hearing more and more reports about the friendly rivalry going on to see who can work what first. Gene, W5IYU, and Bryan, W5KFT, had a wager on to see who would reach 200 countries confirmed first with the prize being the best dinner in town. Well, Gene reached the finish line first but his certificate was accompanied by a congratulatory card from Bryan who airmailed it to us to be included with Gene's award. Inasmuch as Gene



Here's a famous amateur radio couple whose fine photograph will delight their many friends—Sophie, W6SH, and, Ralph, W6RH, of Los Gatos, California.

lives in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and Bryan in Lubbock, Texas, the boys haven't decided where to let Bryan buy Gene that dinner! . . . Another friendly competition was between the two Moragrega brothers in Guadalajara, Mexico, Luis, XEISN, and Miguel, XEITJ. With Luis at 120 worked and Miguel at 60, the aim was for Luis to reach 150 before Miguel nit 100. After an intensive campaign for three months, the finale of the story is that each of them got the winning confirmation in the same mail! As a reward for the fun they had, each bought the other a 30L-1 but now they're so tired of chasing DX, they're taking a rest from radio for a while! The brothers visited Los Angeles in September and, at the time of this writing, are planning to visit Chicago, Philadelphia, and New York where we hope to meet them in person . . . Gene, WØBSK, whose cartoons have enlivened the pages of Don Chesser's DX Bulletin and The Sidebander, has a private DX dope sheet "The Backscratcher" which he and his cronies exchange to keep up with the latest . . . Dr. Dave Robertson, VK1ATR, and his XYL, Denise, VK1YL, are now living near Upton, Long Island. We are looking forward to having them attend some of our local radio meetings . . . Eddy, W5ZBC, sent welcome news of the first Louisiana s.s.b. Supper in Alexandra, Louisiana on August 26. Present were K5LYC, K5SNE, K5AQT, W5KUZ, K5SVD, W5IOF, K5ZRF, K5VMO, W5KYC, K5CTR, W5WYN, W5CIT, W5WNN, K5KMR, W5GKT, K5ANK, W5-GQZ, W5ZBC, W5MXQ, K5AGJ, K5BLO, and W5EGN, all with their respective wives. Ed wrote that W5GKT and W5EGN acted as hosts and did a great job of making this first La. supper a great success. Ed also noted that any southland sidebanders are invited to join the 3905 Delta s.s.b. Net. Y'all join . . .

Here's a heart warming story from Len, K6QMT... "Last spring, as a lark, I patched my 'almost niece,' Mary Louise, to Ted, K2-CHV, who was portable KL7 on Shemya. After a series of patches including some to Honolulu when she was there, Ted made a quick trip to San Francisco to see what the

Worked 100 and 200 Certificates

All stations must submit QSL cards, clearly marked 2-way S.S.B., together with an alphabetized list and sufficient return postage for these certificates and your cards. Listing forms will be sent by Sideband Editors and below listed stations upon receipt of your self-addressed envelope, stamped or with IRC's.

Worked 50 and 75 Certificates, Stickers for 125, 150, 175 etc. Countries

All stations must submit only an alphabetized listing of confirmed 2-way S.S.B. contacts verified and attested to by another amateur. No cards need be submitted. Include letter postage.

African Stations

Send cards with lists to ZS6AMV, A. J. Louw, 52 Wargrave Ave., Aukland Park, Johannesburg, Tvl., South Africa from the following call areas: All ZS's, ZE, VO2, ZD6, CR6 and CR7.

All sideband stations in the other African call areas send cards with lists to Awards Manager, R.S.E.A., QSL Bureau, Box 30077, Nairobi, Kenya.

United Kingdom and Ireland

R. F. Stevens, G2BVN, 51 Pettits Lane, Romford, Essex, England, will verify your cards provided they are accompanied by listings.

Europe

All European sidebanders may send their cards to Jakob Laib, HB9TL, Weinfelderstr. 29, Amriswil, TG, Switzerland.

Australia, New Zealand and other Oceania

All sideband stations in these areas may send their cards to Jock White, ZL2GX, 86 Lytton Road, Gisborne, New Zealand.

Other Areas

Direct to the Sideband Editors, 12 Elm Street, Lynbrook, L.I., N.Y.

In every area, return postage must be included!

nice voice looked like. Ten days later he bought a ring and the wedding will be November 11! Instead of studying cooking, Mary Louise is learning the code!"

Best wishes to Paul, W6YMV, who has moved to Costa Mesa and a hearty welcome to his father-in-law, L.T., WA6ESB, who is now on sideband . . . Claire, K6TQO, and Bob, K6TQN, are making Redwood City famous by [Continued on page 164]

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Space Communications

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President Kennedy's Statement On Space Communications

HE subject of space communication has drawn a tremendous amount of attention recently at the highest levels in the U.S. Government.

During late July, President Kennedy issued a policy statement on space communications. This statement is a clear-cut directive for the United States to take the lead in establishing a world-wide communication system using earth satellites in as short a time as practicable. The President emphasized that such an operational system must not only serve the public interest of this country, but must be of benefit to the entire world. Mr. Kennedy called for American private enterprise to work hand-in-hand with the government in order to accelerate the development of such a global communication system.

In his statement, the President stressed the importance of foreign participation in the operational system. He extended an invitation to all nations to take part, through ownership or otherwise, in the early development and use of such a system. Mr. Kennedy further stated that it will be the policy of the United States to provide technical assistance in the field of communications to newly developing countries in order that they too might share in the benefits of a communication satellite. The President's statement stressed that the global communication system envisioned by this country is to be used in the interest of world peace and closer brotherhood among peoples throughout the world.

Large NASA Budget Approved

Following closely on the heels of President Kennedy's policy statement on space communications, the Congress authorized a budget of \$94,600,000 for space communication programs to be carried out by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration during 1962.

Approval of this large budget, which includes \$50 million requested personally by President Kennedy in order to accelerate the development of a world-wide communication satellite system, marks the beginning of a rapid move forward by NASA towards demonstrating the operational feasibility of various types of systems.

During 1962, NASA plans to orbit no fewer than 5, and possibly as many as 10, experimental communication satellites. These will range in types from low altitude active relays (Projects RELAY and TSK), to a high altitude synchronous satellite (Project CYNCOM), and will also include at least one passive reflector (Project ECHO II).

As a result of its 1962 experimental program, NASA hopes to obtain enough first-hand technical data upon which can be based the development of an optimum operational system in line with the President's directive. Many communication experts are of the opinion that America's stepped-up space communication program may result in an operational system being brought into service, at least partially, by as early as 1964.

Project SYNCOM—Syncronous Orbit Satellite

Project SYNCOM, scheduled for launching during late 1962, will be the first attempt at placing a communication satellite in a 24 hour synchronous orbit at an altitude of approximately 22,300 miles. At this altitude the period of the satellite's orbit is equal to the period of rotation of the earth (approximately 23 hours 56 minutes), and the satellite appears to remain stationary with respect to a point on the Earth's surface. Because of this unique orbital characteristic, as few as three such satellites could provide complete global communication coverage with the exception of the polar regions.

Such a system has the further advantage that ground antenna aiming and tracking problems are minimized as compared to lower altitude systems where the satellite is continually moving with respect to the ground station.

A synchrouous orbit satellite is far more complex than one orbiting at a considerably lower altitude. Not only must it carry active electronics and power supplies required for communications, but it must also carry a velocity control system. Such a system, by automatically adjusting the period of the satellite by fine adjustments in velocity, continuously keeps the satellite in a stationary position with respect to a point on the Earth's surface.

To successfully place a satellite in a synchronous orbit calls for great precision in

The octagon-shaped, paddle wheeled Explorer XII payload pictorially shown separating from the third stage of its Delta launching vehicle as it enters an eliptical orbit which will carry it between approximately 160 and 50,000 miles above the earth's surface. The paddle wheels contain solar cells which supply the satellite with part of the power it needs for its electronic equipment and instruments. The remainder of the power is supplied by silver-cadmium storage batteries. (Official NASA Photo).

launching and in guidance control. The satellite must also contain an orientation, or attitude control system to insure that its antennas are continually pointed towards the Earth.

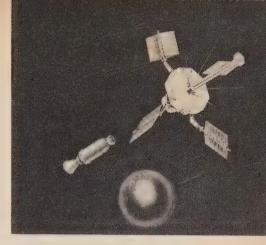
NASA has granted a \$4 million contract to the Hughs Aircraft Corp. to build this country's first synchronous orbit communication satellite. Plans call for an initial launching during late 1962. A second launching may also take place during 1962, and a third satellite will be available for back-up purposes. This program, called Project SYNCOM, will test a small active communication satellite, weighing approximately 50 pounds, in a 24 hour orbit. The satellite will be boosted to the 22,300 mile altitude by a three stage Delta vehicle. Then it will be injected into the desired orbit by an additional solid propellant rocket attached directly to the satellite. This rocket is also expected to provide fine adjustments in orbit in order to maintain proper altitude and attitude. Project SYNCOM will provide early experience with an active system in high altitude orbit.

Two other active communication satellite programs are scheduled by NASA for 1962, Projects RELAY and TSX. These will test low-altitude systems up to 3,000 miles above the Earth's surface. They will be discussed in next month's column.

The initial synchronous communication satellites will be designed to relay telephone conversations and telegraph messages over near hemispheric distances. Future high-altitude satellites will have the bandwidth capacity for television transmission. Frequencies to be used will be in the neighborhood of 8,000 mc from ground to satellite and 2,000 mc from satellite to ground.

One problem that will be encountered with synchronous orbit communication satellites is the long time delay (approximately 0.6 of a second) incurred as a result of the radio wave travelling more than 45,000 miles on its path from the ground transmitting station to the satellite and back to a ground receiving station.

NASA plans to make available the test results of Project SYNCOM to communication interests, commercial and government, around the world.



More On OSSC

The formation of the Office For Satellite Scatter Coordination (OSSC) was discussed in the June and July columns. The OSSC, created under the auspices of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, is directed by Raphael Soifer, K2QBW. Its main purpose is to give radio amateurs interested in performing satellite scatter experiments an opportunity to coordinate their activities through a centralized group having real "know-how" in this challenging new field.

In a recent letter, Ray Soifer states that "As a result of the discussions in the June and July columns, about two dozen inquiries were received, most of them from amateurs of high technical competence, which resulted in a large number of new stations becoming affiliated with OSSC."

Ray points out, however, that many more amateur radio stations are needed to join the OSSC networks before many of the planned experiments can begin. What is "desperately" needed, according to K2OBW, are several high speed c.w. stations that can run powers as high as a kilowatt on 15 and 10 meters. These stations are needed in order to attempt to scatter signals from satellites over greater distances than have already been accomplished with lower power. Another shortage is the need for a medium to high power, high speed c.w. station for 50 mc experiments with "multiple scatter" transmission. Ray stresses the need for high speed c.w. proficiency for the scatter experiments, in order to extract as much intelligence as possible from the weakly scattered signal. As Ray puts it, "We have more Ph.D's in OSSC than CP-35's, but we need them both if the experiments are to be successful."

Additional details about OSSC and satellite scatter communications are available directly from Raphael Soifer, Director OSSC, Room 10-206, Mass. Institute of Technology, 77 Mass. Ave., Cambridge 39, Mass.

Russian Man In Space Frequencies

On August 6, the Soviet Union placed their second man into orbit around the earth. Major [Continued on page 168]



The USA-CA Program



BY CLIF EVANS*, K6BX

IG wheels move slowly! The 10,000 copies of USA-CA Record Books originally promised for July delivery, but plagued by repeated printer's delays, finally arrived at CQ's door-steps on September 13th. Three Cheers.

CQ, through USA-CA Custodian K6BX, humbly apologizes for this unforeseen delay which caused a flood of concerned inquiries that possibly some had missed out on oppor-

tunity for low numbers. Not so!

Here's payoff: As K6BX promised in the August column, a "system" has been devised giving equal opportunity to all for low numbers regardless of QTH and associated mail delays. To facilitate such "system", CQ mailed out all Record Books on order as a lot 9-14-61.

Already we are swamped with applications indicating that many had lists all ready for immediate transcribing. One enthusiastic fellow wrote he took the book apart and farmed it out in sections to his office force, and had finished application back at P.O. within 45 minutes

after receipt.

First USA-CA-500 application to arrive was from K2PFC, and first and only USA-CA-1000 application to date was sent in by K4BAI. Following closely behind were W8IBX, WØMCX, K6YMZ, W8NAN, K5DGI, K6SXA, W5PSB, W4UF, W8WT, K9EAB, W6YC, K5UYF, W5NXF, K1BUR, W5AWT and W1GKJ in that order. The three days 'grace' period hasn't run out for most areas as we go to press so there will be many others to be considered for the Number ONE category.

Remember that it will take some time for overseas applications to arrive and be processed under the system of fair opportunity, so please be patient in awaiting announcement of first series of low numbers. We assure all that after this first processing hurdle is over, USA-CA applications will be acted upon within 7-10 days of receipt as folks have experienced in K6BX handling of CHC, HTH, FHC and

QCWA applications.

Have heard a few rumors of many approaching the USA-CA 1000 level. DXers, especially Europeans say USA-CA is in the bag. Everyone seems amazed at the quality and map coverage of the Record Book and surprised that CQ could make it available at \$1.25. We agree. First, CQ got a special rate in mass quantity and secondly, CQ had no desire to make a profit on the USA-CA awards program. For example, K6BX has a catalog of the American Map Co. which on page 17 gives an almost identical series of maps less the ham record section. Price, \$2.95. Whether you enter *Box 385, Bonita, California

into the USA-CA program or not, you cannot afford to be without one of these 108-page map-Record Books for reference purposes.

Mammouth Program

You may have noted that we do not call the USA-CA just an award. USA-CA was purposely designed to encompass, support and enhance literally hundreds of other U. S. Awards, therefore, rather than being just an award it is really a mammouth program. Regardless of what U.S. awards you may be interested in or working for, you are automatically building up credits toward USA-CA. Conversely, while working for USA-CA, one likewise is simultaneously qualifying for scores of other U.S. awards.

These USA-CA advantages also held true in connection with all contests, QSO Parties and Field Days by whomever sponsored. Regardless of U. S. QSO's, they have value toward USA-CA together with other awards. With USA-CA we have arrived at a situation wherein the QSL card of every U.S. ham now has more significant and appreciated value.

Along with the design concept of the USA-CA Program was the thought that greater publicity could and should be given to many U.S. awards programs and especially these in which county contacts are a prime factor. You must admit that this is a new and healthy approach whereby CQ does not consider other awards as competing but rather that all 'associated' awards are jointly promoting hamdom's pleasure interests, and merit support.

So, within limits of space that can be made available, this column will not only give USA-CA news coverage but will directly support 'associated' organization's activities whenever related news is of interest to all hamdom. By 'associated' organizations we mean any and all Clubs and organizations conducting activities the nature of which fall within the tremendous encompassing scope of the USA-CA Program.

As you know, one of the goals of USA-CA and also the Directory of Certificates and Awards published by the writer is that, eventually, each of the 50 U.S. states will have its own independently sponsored all-county award. Rapid progress is being made because many organizations are becoming aware that such awards programs offer outstanding opportunity for creating good public relations both for state, county, city and club, and all in one neat package. Likewise, such sponsors reap the world-wide publicity coverage that the USA-CA Program and Directory gives them for free. The writer, having had some perience in awards design, stands ready to assist any organization in the design of allcounty awards for those states now among the missing.

The following county awards programs representing New Mexico, Alaska, Ohio, Missouri and Texas are classic examples of state-county awards which will reap good public relations for both states and sponsors and will add considerably to hamdom's pleasures in certificate hunting.

New Mexico's All-County Awards Program

New Mexico now has an all-county awards program sponsored by the newly formed Certificate Hunters' Club Chapter No. 1, Albu-

querque, N.M.

The N.M. award is issued in four classes for working various numbers of counties as follows: Class A requires confirmed contacts with all 32 counties; Class B requires 24; Class C requires 16 and Class D requires only 8, without restrictions as to dates, bands or modes, except that U.S. and Canadians must make all contacts from the same QTH whereas DXers are confined only to limits within one's own country.



To get this beautiful award, send list, alphabetically by counties, certified by two other licensed amateurs or a radio club officer stating that cards were sighted, along with \$1 or ten IRC to the CHC Chapter No. 1, c/o Awards Manager, Willie Petty, W5LEF, 3107 Morningside Drive, Albuquerque, N.M.

The Albuquerque Chapter also has taken over handling of the "Sandia Base Friendship" award issued for working 25 stations in the Albuquerque Area for U.S. hams and 10 for

others.

To help all hamdom make N.M. contacts, the Chapter will conduct an annual N.M. QSO Party each year in January with first such QSO Party now scheduled for January 1962 and with dates to be announced in January issue of CQ and the Directory of Certificates.

As a further aid in working "rare" N.M. counties, the Chapter will conduct frequent excursions throughout the state and will operate from "rare" N.M. counties on Field Days.

This highly active CHC Chapter was formed

in July, 1961, when seven CHCers got together and signed a petition for Chapter formation. Seven CHCers in one city is the highest concentration of such world's leaders in the achievement field and speaks well for the N.M. hams. Original signers on Chapter petition were CHCers K5UYF, W5CK, W5LEF, W5PQA, W5NXF, K5BGT, W5ONK along with Associate members and CHCers to be, W5AX, W5II, W5STL, W5NTM, and K5ZHV.

Alaska All-Counties Award—(AACA)

Alaska, the largest of the 50 states but with the next to the least amount of counties, or we should say Judicial Districts, now has an All-County Award in support of the USA-CA.

The Wildwood Station Amateur Radio Club, WSARC, has announced sponsorship of an award for confirmed contacts with each of Alaska's four Judicial Districts plus a fifth separate contact with a club member. The AACA is issued in five classes as follows: Class I for All CW; Class II for All AM; Class III for All SSB; Class IV for RTTY and Class V for Mixed Mode. Endorsement suffix A is for all one band and suffix B is for mixed band.

To get the Alaska award, contacts must be after August 15, 1961, and reports from both stations must be at least Q-5 or RST 459. Send list, certified by two other licensed amateurs or a radio club officer stating cards were sighted, to WSARC Secretary, Bldg. T-308, Wildwood

Station, Alaska.

When Alaska was admitted as a state, the only political sub-divisions were the Judicial Districts and folks up there haven't gotten around to Gerrymandering a batch of counties like we have in most states; however, the politicians are haggling over the prospects. In the interim, USA-CA accepts the four Judicial Districts for awards purposes. As a further aid to the Alaska map in the USA-CA Record Book. locations of most active Alaska stations are: First Judicial District; Juneau, Ketichican and all points East of 141 degrees. Second District; Nome; Barrow and entire Seward Peninsula. (Don't confuse this with city of Seward on the Kenai Peninsula). Third District; Kodiak, Seward, Anchorage, entire Alaska Peninsula, entire Kenai Peninsula and Wildwood Station. Fourth Division has Bethal, Northway and Fairbanks.

Remember, there must be two QSO's with Division Three; one with a WSARC member and one otherwise. WSARC is located NE of Kenai and about 65 air miles SW of Anchorage.

Certificate hunters can thank CHCer Meade, KL7DIR, Editor of WSARC's newsy Zero Beat for spark plugging the AACA in support of USA-CA and adding this big state to the growing list of states having all-county awards.

Ohio's New Cardinal County Awards

As you know, Ohio is the Buckeye state and has Buckeye awards, so when it came to naming a new series of seven awards for working Ohioans in different counties, the sponsors gave us the Ohio bird, the Cardinal.

The Ohio Radio Society, OARS, now offers seven different Cardinal Awards, each in different classes, and based on working different Ohio cities and counties. First in the series is the Cardinal All-County Award in Class A for confirmed contacts with all 88/60 counties (last figure applies to others than U.S. and Canada); Class B for 77/52 counties: Class C for 66/44 counties: Class D for 55/35 counties and Class E for 45/25 counties.

To get the above Cardinal award or any of the following listed Cardinal awards, send list, certified by two other licensed amateurs or radio club officer stating cards were sighted. along with 50¢ or 5 IRCs to OARS, c/o W8AJW, 2972 Clague Road, North Olmsted, Ohio. A rundown on the six other awards follows:

Cardinal SSB: For two-way s.s.b. contacts with Ohio stations in different counties. Ohioans must work 30 in 20 counties; U.S. and Canada work 25 in 15 counties and DX stations work 15 in 10 counties.

Cardinal VHF: For Ohio contacts on six meters and above with different counties. Ohioans work 30 in 20 counties; U.S. and Canada work 25 in 15 counties, and DX stations work 10 in 5 counties.

Cardinal NOVICE: For contacts with Ohio Novices in different counties. Requirements are same as stated for Cardinal VHF award.

Cardinal YL: For contacting Ohio YL's in different counties with ratio and requirements same as stated for Cardinal VHF award.

Cardinal MOBILE: For contacting mobiles in Ohio in different counties. Same requirement and ratio as stated in Cardinal VHF award. Mobile QSLs must show QTH at time of mobile contact.

Cardinal CITIES: For working Ohio's ten largest cities; Cleveland, Cincinnati, Columbus, Toledo, Akron, Youngstown, Canton, Parma, Dayton, and Springfield. Lakewood may be substituted for Parma for contacts before 1960. DX stations need contact only eight cities and may substitute Cleveland Heights, Lorain, Lima, Euclid, Warren or Hamilton for any of the larger cities.

There are no starting date or band or mode restrictions for any of the Cardinal awards.

Certificate hunters and all Ohio hams can thank CHCer Jack, W8AJW, for ram-rodding the Cardinal series of awards into being and which will do much to put the Buckeye/Cardinal state more in hamdom's limelight. W8AJW is one of hamdom's world leaders having just recently won (August) the CHC-200 TOP HONORS Award together with the Arne Trossman Top Honors Plaque for being fourth ham in the world to possess over 200 amateur achievement awards. First to get this honor was another Ohioan, Jim, W8JIN, the story of which was featured in May 1961 CQ. Californian, Lloyd, W6KG was second to win the CHC-200 TOP HONORS award followed closely by New Yorker, Howy, W2QHH for third honors. Fifth such honors following W8AJW went to world renowned DXer Karl. UR2BU.

Worked All Missouri County Award

The "Show Me" state of Missouri has joined the long procession of states with worked allcounty awards. The "Worked All Missouri" award, WAM, is sponsored by The Southwest Missouri Amateur Radio Club, Inc., for contacting at least 35 of Missouri's 115 counties without any restrictions.



To get the WAM, send list, certified by two radio club officers that cards were sighted, along with 25¢ for W/K/VE stations and 4 IRCs for others, to WAM Custodian, KOJPJ. 560 S. Warren, Springfield, Missouri.

Ohio's Buckeye County Award

The live-wire Ohio Valley Amateur Radio Association, O.V.A.R.A., has come up with a second or I should say the eighth Ohio award to feature working of Ohio's Buckeye counties. O.V.A.R.A. now sponsors the Ohio Buckeye County Award for confirmed county contacts without date, band or mode restrictions as follows: U.S. and Canada stations work 44 Ohio counties and DX stations work only 22.

To get the Buckeye county award, send list, certified by two other licensed hams or radio club officer stating cards were sighted, along with 30¢ or 3 IRCs to Buckeye Custodian, K8VDV, 1317 Grace Avenue, Cincinnati 8,

The Buckeye county award is in addition to the Cardinal award previously described and also different to the "Worked All Ohio Counties" award sponsored by the Ohio Council of Amateur Radio Clubs for contacting all 88 of Ohio's counties. The Buckeye award was the brainchild of W8VDV.

In order to give others opportunity to contact Ohioans, O.V.A.R.A., beginning December 22, 1961 and continuing through January 1, 1962, will hold an Ohio QSO party. O.V.A.R.A. members will operate 30 kcs above the low edge of all bands on c.w., 10 through 160 meters, and will call CQ/OVA and sign their

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Novice

MPLIFIERS are named or classified in several ways. According to the results they achieve, there are two basic types-voltage amplifiers and power amplifiers. According to the conditions under which they operate, amplifiers (especially power amplifiers) are classified as Class A, Class B and Class C amplifiers. The class at which an amplifier operates depends on the amount of bias voltage applied to the grid of the tube and the portion of a.c. signal voltage cycle during which plate current flows. Depending upon the frequency range over which they operate, amplifiers may be further classified as direct current, audio frequency, intermediate frequency, radio frequency and video amplifiers.

Voltage Amplifiers

Voltage amplifiers are primarily intended for amplifying voltage. They are designed to develop the greatest amplified voltage possible across the load in the plate circuit of the amplifier. To accomplish this objective, it is necessary that the load resistance be as high as possible so that it will offer a large opposition to the plate-current change. This results in a large voltage being developed in the output circuit.

Power Amplifiers

Power amplifiers are designed to deliver large amounts of power to the load in the plate circuit without regard to voltage. Since power equals voltage times current, a power amplifier must have a large voltage across the load in addition to a relatively large current flow. In power amplifiers, the impedance (resistance to alternating current) of the load is smaller than that in voltage amplifiers.

Class A Amplifiers

An amplifier is considered as Class A when the grid bias and alternating grid voltages have such value that plate current flows continuously throughout the cycle of applied voltage and never reaches zero. Class A amplifiers are biased to about half of cutoff value. The basic amplifier shown in fig. 1 is a Class A amplifier.

Class A amplifiers are characterized by low efficiency and an output having a large ratio of power amplification. By efficiency it is meant the ratio of the power output to d.c. power

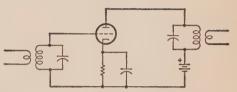


Fig. 1-A typical Class A r.f. amplifier circuit.

input. For practical purposes the efficiency of a Class A amplifier ranges between 20 and 25%. Theoretically, it has a maximum efficiency of about 50%. Class A amplifiers are used as audio and radio frequency amplifiers in radio, television and sound systems.

Class B Amplifiers

Class B amplifiers are biased to approximately cutoff. Plate current therefore flows only during the positive half-cycle of the applied grid signal voltage. The efficiency is higher and the current consumption is less in a Class B amplifier than in one operating Class A. Power loss in Class B amplifiers is low for two reasons. First, plate current does not flow when there is no signal applied to the grid and thus there can be only very little power wasted during the non-operating periods. Secondly, plate current flows only during the positive half of the input cycle. This means that the average current flow will be only 32% of the peak current in the stage.

The illustration fig. 2A shows the relation between the grid voltage and plate current in a tube operated Class B. Note that plate current flows only during the positive half of the signal voltage. Grid current flows only during the time when the grid is driven positive.

Class B amplifiers are used mostly as power amplifiers. As power amplifiers, their power output is proportional to the square of the grid excitation voltage. The best bias for Class B operation is that which corresponds roughly to the cutoff bias that would be obtained if the main part of the characteristic curves shown in fig. 2B were projected as straight lines. Notice the dotted straight line extended from the straight line part of the characteristic curve labeled $E_{\rm b}=300$. The point at which this line strikes the grid voltage line, approximately -75 volts, gives the cut-off bias for 300 volts plate operation. Curves of this type pro-

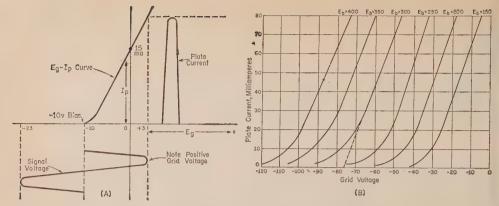


Fig. 2 — A Class B amplifier operates over only one half of the applied cycle. The $E_{\underline{\nu}}$ - $I_{\underline{\nu}}$ curve can be used to determine the proper operating point for the Class B stage as explained in the text.

vide a convenient means of determining grid bias for Class B operation for different plate voltage conditions.

Distortion occurs in Class B amplifiers under much the same general conditions as in Class A amplifiers. Frequency and phase-shift distortion are essentially alike in both. Amplitude distortion in the output of a Class B amplifier operating with the proper load resistance depends upon the departure of the characteristic curve straight lines and upon the operating point. Refer to the Class B amplification curve shown in fig. 2A.Obviously, the half cycle output is far from the distortionless reproduction of the full cycle input. One-half of the cycle is missing. This missing half cycle can be replaced by one of two methods: by adding an additional Class B amplifier to work on the other half cycle or by the "flywheel action" of a resonant circuit. Distortion of the positive peaks of grid voltage may occur due to flow of grid current if the grid becomes positive.

The use of two tubes to supply both halves of the input cycle in the output constitutes a push-pull Class B amplifier. One tube operates during the first half cycle of the a.c. signal voltage and the other tube during the second half cycle, as shown in fig. 3. Since plate current flows during one half cycle in one tube and during the next half cycle in the other, the plate current wave-forms can be combined in the

load circuit. The load circuit of the push-pull amplifier is the center-tapped primary of the output transformer. During one half cycle, one tube generates a voltage across the transformer winding. During the next half cycle, the other tube generates a voltage of the opposite polarity across the winding. Since the plate currents of the two tubes flow in opposite directions of the two tubes flow in opposite directions through their respective halves of the transformer primary winding, the voltages across the primary windings of each tube combine in the secondary to produce a reasonably undistorted replica of the input a.c. signal voltage.

A single tube, Class B amplifier can be used successfully in r.f. amplifier stages having a parallel-tuned circuit as the plate load. A typical circuit is shown in fig. 4. The parallel tuned circuit is sometimes called a tank circuit, because it has the ability to store power. When it is used as the plate load of a single ended, Class B amplified stage, the capacitor in the parallel tuned circuit is charged by the output voltage produced by the flow of plate current through the load on the positive half cycles. Although no current flows through the tube on the negative half cycle of the applied signal voltage, the capacitor discharges into the inductor during this period and thus supplies the missing half cycle of output voltage. This socalled flywheel effect of the tank circuit occurs only when the resonant frequency of the

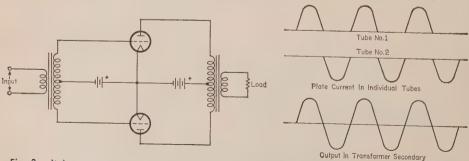


Fig. 3 — It is more common to find two tubes in a Class B r.f. circuit and mandatory in audio applications. In this circuit each tube amplifies alternate half cycles.

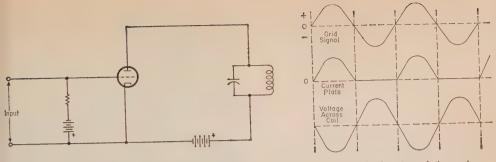


Fig. 4-A single ended Class B circuit is useful in transmitters. The fly-wheel action of the tank circuit can be used to fill in the period between half cycles.

parallel tuned circuit is equal to the frequency of the applied signal voltage.

The maximum efficiency possible with Class B power amplifiers is theoretically 78.5%. In most practical applications, however, the efficiency attained is about 60 or 65%. Class B amplifiers are principally used in transmitters for either r-f amplification or for audio modulation.

Class C Amplifiers

A Class C amplifier is one in which the bias is appreciably greater than the cutoff value. When no alternating voltage is applied to the grid the plate current is zero. When an alternating voltage is applied to the grid, plate current flows for appreciably less than one half cycle, as shown in fig. 5.

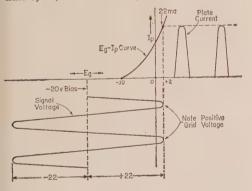


Fig. 5 — In Class C, the grid is biased beyond cut-off and the tips of the r.f. positive half cycles kick the tube into conduction.

Except for grid bias, Class C amplifiers operate in much the same way as Class B amplifiers. Since current flows for a small part of a cycle, the distortion in Class C amplifier is very great. A Class C amplifier is also characterized by the fact that it develops its output at a relatively low ratio of power amplification. Still another characteristic is that its grid usually swings sufficiently positive to allow saturation current to flow through the tube. As a result the plate output waves are not free from harmonics and suitable means must be provided to remove them from the output.

One means of doing this is demonstrated by the illustration fig. 6. The tuned tank circuit shown offers an impedance to the operating frequency that is quite high, but to the harmonic frequencies, it presents a low impedance, causing them to be attenuated due to low amplification by the tube. Due to the high impedance offered to the signal frequency, it is thus amplified to a much greater extent than are the harmonic frequencies.

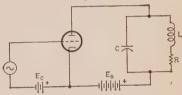


Fig. 6 — A selective tuned circuit can be used to remove the harmonic frequencies in the load.

The high efficiency of the Class C amplifier is due to the fact that when plate current is permitted to flow, the instantaneous potential of the plate is low compared to the plate supply voltage. In this way energy is supplied to the plate circuit only when most of the plate supply voltage is used up as a voltage drop across the tuned circuit. Therefore, most of the energy is delivered to the tuned circuit instead of being wasted at the plate. Principally because of this fact, the efficiency of the Class C amplifier is in the neighborhood of 60% to 80%.

Class C amplifiers are used as r.f. amplifiers in transmitters. They are very useful in high frequency equipment where it is necessary to deliver appreciable power.

Harmonics

The maximum amount of useful power available from a single power tube is limited by the amplitude distortion due to the introduction of undesired harmonic frequencies in the amplifier circuit. A harmonic frequency is a multiple of any given fundamental frequency. For example, the second harmonic of 1000 cycles is 2000 cycles, the third harmonic is 3000 cycles and so on. Second and higher harmonics are generated by a vacuum tube when its grid voltage, plate current changes are non-linear.

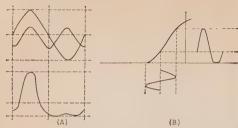


Fig. 7 — An illustration of how second harmonic distortion is produced by clipping and how it affects the wave-form.

The illustration in fig. 7 will help you in understanding the action of harmonics in vacuum tubes. Consider the top diagram (A) first. It shows two frequencies, a sine wave and its second harmonic. Just below the two frequencies is the waveshape produced by adding the two graphically. Notice that the sum is a distorted waveshape of the sine wave in which there is a large positive half cycle and a small negative cycle. The bottom diagram (B) shows similar results in which a harmonic generated in a vacuum tube is added to the signal frequency (fundamental) and causes the amplitude of the output to be distorted. This action results from operating the tube on the curved portion of the E_g - I_0 curve. Here too, the output wave has a large positive half cycle and a small negative half cycle, a condition evidencing distortion. The output waveshape contains both the original fundamental signal waveshape and the harmonic which was generated in the tube and added to the fundamental by tube action.

Elimination of the even numbered harmonics (second, fourth and so on) is possible when a push-pull circuit arrangement is employed. Only the odd harmonics (particularly the third) will be left to limit the power output. However, the effect of the odd harmonics is minimized by connecting to each tube a load resistance which is more nearly equal to the dynamic plate resistance of the tube. The result of this is that the amount of undistorted power will approach the maximum amount of power obtainable, that is, the power if there were no distortion. Actually, two tubes connected in push-pull will give considerably more than twice the undistorted power which a single tube can deliver.

Help Wanted

W1 — Thomas Cluope, 5 Stevens St., Lowell, Mass. phone GL-33350

W4 — Bob Savoy, 1201 West Ave., Apt. 8, Miami Beach 39, Fla. phone JE 8-5231

VE7 — Richard Matthew, 2972 West 2nd Ave., Vancouver 8, B.C. Canada

Letters

Most readers, like myself, don't remember the "good ole days" of ham radio. Howard V. B. Voorhis, 60 Remsen St., Apt. 9C, Brooklyn 1, N. Y., sent in a photograph, which



1923 Receiving station of Howard Voorhis.

is reproduced hereabouts, showing his receiving station located at Red Bank, N. J., in 1923, 38 years ago. Harold held the call letters NDM in 1908 and operated on the 121 meter band with a 1½ inch spark transmitter.

Fred Schwab, KN9HXX, 711 Fifth Ave., Sterling, Ill., is 13 and gasses 'em on 80 and 40 with a DX-40, NC-188 and dipoles for each band. Fred also extends his operation to two meters with a Health Twoer. In seven weeks Fred has snagged 75 contacts for a WAS of 11/6. Be looking for him on 3707, 3743, 7166, 7175, 21.207 mc and two meters. P.S. — Fred, sweep modulation was for April Fools-HI.

Wayne Cline, K4NNQ, 1116 Clydesdale, Anniston, Ala., shucked the "N" recently after working 41 states with 35 confirmed, along with HK3, VE's, VP9 and WP4 on only one frequency 7180 kc. Wayne would like skeds with Ida., S. Dak., Del., Vt., Maine, Wyo., Nev., KH6 and KL7. and hopes to work the remaining states with his homebrew rockcrusher running 60 watts input and BC-453 receiver. By the way, Wayne has a C.P. for 20 wpm and is a member of RCC.

Also "N-less" is Richard Eastman, K10JN, 8 Mechanic St., Dexter, Maine, who received his Novice on May 6, 1961 and General on March 3, 1962. Dick hops the bands with a DX-40, VF-1, Knight R-100 receiver but prefers ragchewing on 80 to chasing the elusive DX. He is 16 and will be starting his Junior [continued on page 169]



KIOJN QSO's from this neat setup.



c/o CQ, 300 WEST 43rd ST., NEW YORK 36, N. Y.

ham clinic

Conversion of the 274N to Taylor Modulation

Properties of you interested in trying out Taylor Modulation (TM), and who have an old surplus 274N sticking around or can obtain one, here is a practical circuit furnished by Fred Moore, F7BI. It was designed for 20 meter operation.

Figure 1 gives the complete circuit. Note that the screen voltage to the 1625s is regulated with VR-150s. A single 1625 is used for supplying modulation. The mike used is a surplus carbon T-17 mike. Those of you who desire to use either a dynamic or crystal mike need only to add one stage of mike amplification via a triode such as the 6C4, ½ of a 12AU7, 6C5

Note that the original part numbers are given in the diagram. These correspond to those given in the 274N schematic.

A 7 mc crystal is used in the oscillator. The output circuit of the 12A6 (a 6AQ5 may be used) doubles to 20 meters and is fed to the

buffer-driver, a 6L6, whose output is 20 meters to the grids of the final 1625s.

For ease of tune-up, S_2 and S_3 are separate switches which remove the screen voltage from either the power amplifier (top 1625) or the r.f. modulator (bottom 1625 and designated "PM").

Tune-Up

The grid bias you will note is fixed and need not be varied. However, the first step is to remove the screen voltage via S_2 and S_3 from both tubes. Actually, the plate voltage may also be removed if desired.

With the plate voltage off, bring up the final grid drive by adjusting C_{60} in the output of the 6L6. The grid drive should be about $2\frac{1}{2}$ ma as read on a 0-5 milliameter temporarily connected in the bias circuit of the PA (1625). At this time the drive to the PM tube should be zero, or, as indicated on a similar meter in its

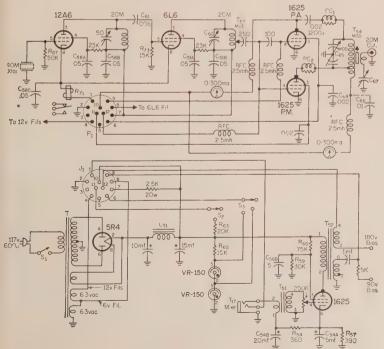


Fig. 1—Diagram of the SCR-274N after conversion to Taylor Modulation. The modulator and power supply section is built on a separate chassis and connected to the transmitter via P_1 and J_1 . Part designations in the TM transmitter correspond to those in the SCR-274N.

bias circuit, just starting to draw grid current. Next, connect up a dummy load (preferably a dummy antenna) to the final tank. Switch on plate voltage or switch the screen voltage via S_2 and S_3 back. The PA tube should now load in normal fashion. Then modulate the rig. As you modulate, you will note that the PA tube grid and plate current will fluctuate down, but the plate and grid currents of the PM tube will fluctuate up. You will note that the PM tube plate current will hit as high as 100ma (or a little over). To obtain the true peak current indicated, merely multiply the average indicated reading by 2. Now connect the regular antenna and load up to about the same load settings obtained with the dummy antenna. Coupling to the output tank must be tight, even to the point where minimum dip at resonance is hard to determine. The setting of C₆₇ governs the antenna loading.

Although Fred does not show a milliameter in the plate of the PA tube, I have put in one. If only the PM meter is desired (shown in series with pin 10 of the power socket), you may eliminate the PA tube meter, the $2\frac{1}{2}$ mh choke and the .002 mf coupling capacitor C_c . The parasitic choke PC_1 then goes directly to the plate. The existing meter then reads current for both tubes when screen voltage is applied to both. Using S_2 or S_3 , screen voltage can be removed, thus removing the plate current from either the PM or PA tube. I am inclined to think this is what he had in mind. However, for tuning up (to "hit it on the nose") I recommend using two meters, and if possible, an

oscilloscope.

Remember to keep the r.f. grid drive to the PA tube at ½ the normal drive (5 ma is normal for the 1625), and the r.f. drive to the PM tube near zero. The PM tube does the hard work while the PA tube loafs.

Tuning With A Scope

The oscilloscope vertical plates are connected to the tank via coaxial cable and a three turn link, directly connected to the plates (not through the scope vertical amplifier) will give the patterns shown in fig. 2. A panoramic pre-



Fig. 2—Oscilloscope displays for Taylor Modulation. A-Unmodulated carrier. B-Overmodulation with some peak clipping. C-Less than 100% modulation.

sentation of the TM signal will look like the patterns in fig. 3. For comparison, fig. 3 also shows how an equal powered plate modulated a.m. signal will look.

Some important points to keep in mind regarding Taylor Modulation transmission and reception are: tell your contact to turn off his fast acting a.v.c., to use full audio gain and control a.f. output with the receiver r.f. gain





Fig. 3—Panoramic adaptor displays comparing the output of standard a.m. to Taylor Modulation. A-Unmodulated carrier. B-100% amplitude modulation. C-100% Taylor Modulation.

control. "S" meters will not indicate properly on TM signals, or at least cannot be depended upon to give a true signal strength picture. Remember that the modulating power is not audio frequency but radio frequency which is supplied by the r.f. modulator. There will be little TVI and BCI with the TM system inasmuch as there will be little or no negative peak clipping, no a.f. splatter or shot effect. Nearly complete suppression of heterodynes is possible because of carrier suppression during modulation periods. Tubes used in TM may be operated at full c.w. ratings because no audio frequency voltages are added to the final.

Now a few final words on the 274N conversion. The rig can be used very effectively for mobile operation, all that need be done is to supply the voltages required. The final tank

will load fine into a loaded whip.

Coils T_{53} and T_{54} are modified with the aid of a grid dip meter to hit 20 meters. Capacitor C_{65} is also modified for split-stator operation. The tank in the output of the oscillator should double to 20 meters however, there is no reason why it cannot be cut for 40 meters and doubling accomplished in the output of the 6L6.

The power transformer (T) must have two 6.3 v. filament windings (connected as shown), and should be capable of supplying 600-700 volts at around 350 ma. Bias voltages may be supplied with a separate pack, or in case mobile operation is contemplated, with batteries or a small transistorized supply, which is preferred.

I like this little rig and think Fred did a fine job coming up with it. Who can say that this little rig with over four times the true sideband power with full modulation, and about one half the bandwidth of the average plate modulated rig with its bulky and costly modulator isn't worth playing around with? Take s.s.b? Perhaps, but it costs more and does take a good stable receiver. With TM, a product detector is not required. Any good receiver capable of receiving straight a.m. will do. This little rig really does have talk power! I'm sure we'll be hearing more of it.

Observation

Like the Volkswagon, Collins radio equipment is noted for maintaining its re-sale value. Any manufacturers changes or modifications made to Collins gear cannot always be seen with a casual glance; it may take a little digging, but they are there, for Collins only makes

technical changes to its line when these changes afford increased efficiency; they *never* come out with a new model in an attempt to compete with other manufacturers.

When one buys a Collins rig he is getting in addition to electrical and mechanical excellence, stability, operating ease, calibration accuracy and modern appearance. But the one ingredient that makes the Collins buyer a booster is "product integrity."

As everyone knows, a firm that lacks a good reputation soon goes out of business. How a product is designed, manufactured, sold and serviced determines a firm's reputation. Without product integrity, there are few customers.

True today as it was 25 years ago, the radio amateur is a discriminating buyer. Prove to him that he is getting his money's worth and he will buy, but he still wants (and has the right to demand) after-sale thoughtfulness on the part of the seller, or putting it another way, service.

What determines the price of a piece of ham equipment? Why are some manufacturers accused of over-pricing?

The total price of a piece of gear is determined by cost of research and development, engineering design, component cost, assembly (labor), administration, testing and advertising costs as well as many other factors.

So-called over-pricing seldom really exists. However, it is hard to convince some kit buyers of this. The most expensive item for any manufacturer is labor, skilled and otherwise. Mass production of ham gear does result in some price reductions but it depends upon the item.

Recently, a friend, who is a design engineer for a large firm, dissected a piece of gear to determine how much it could actually be made for. Using modern manufacturing techniques and figuring 40% dealer mark-up, he felt that he could produce 5000 of these sets for \$150.00 under the going price, if (and it's a big if) he did not have to worry about development costs, which include prototypes, testing, machine tool and jig purchases, assembly line mock-up and worker training! That \$150.00 covered these, plus administration and advertising.

You get what you pay for! What may seem high is not really high at all especially if its

long term depreciation is small.

We hams make our own market. What we get for used gear is up to us. If we keep our equipment clean, do not abuse it and service it (or have it serviced) properly, we can expect more for it when we sell. I still advocate however, trading an item in on new equipment rather then trying to sell it yourself. The reputable dealer will overhaul your equipment and give a better bargain to the guy who buys it. Few hams are equipped to do this.

When you buy, keep reputation in mind.

Questions

Warrior Linear—"I am experiencing a very annoying impulse type noise with my Heath Warrior Linear amplifier. It is noticeably worse on the 40 meter band and fairly makes my receiver 'jump.' Any cure"?

Joe, W1NXY sends in the following info on this. "A slight circuit modification and the addition of a few parts resulted in getting rid of the noise in the Warrior caused by the mercury vapor rectifiers. A couple of .001 mf condensers in parallel were connected from the mercury vapor rectifier heaters to ground. The 8 mf filter lead and the blue lead from the 811s were moved to the bleeder resistor directly and connecting a B&W Miniductor #3104 (4.5 µh) between the bleeder resistor and the rectifier heater did the job."

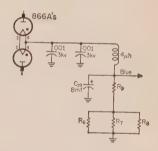


Fig. 4—Circuit for the suppression of mercury vapor rectifier hash in the Heath Warrior amplifier. The 866A filaments should be wired as shown and high voltage taken from pins 4.

Thanks Joe. See fig. 4 for the modifications. Note: Joe suggests rewiring the 866A heaters so that pin 1 is connected to pin 1 and pin 4 to pin 4 and take off the high voltage from

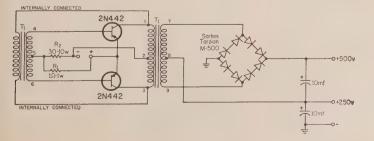


Fig. 5—Circuit for a transistorized d.c. to d.c. converter as suggested by the Microtran Co. Transformer T_1 is the Microtran M8035.

pin 4 as recommended by the tube manufacturer).

D.C. to **D.C.** Converter—"I need a good transistorized circuit (and the transformer to go with it) to convert 12 volts to 500 volts 250 ma d.c. and 250 volts at 420 ma. Any suggestions?"

Yes, write to Microtran Co. Inc., 145 East Mineola Ave., Valley Stream, N. Y. They have just what you need. In the meantime, if you can obtain a Microtran transformer #M8035, you can use the circuit in fig. 5 (p. 99). With 13.6 volts (generator output in the average car), you can obtain 500 volts in full-wave bridge connection at 250 ma and/or 250 volts at 420 ma in the center tapped full wave connection. R_2 and R_1 may have to be varied a bit if other transistors are chosen.

Better Warrior Bias Filtering—"While checking my Warrior the other day with my scope I noted that there was some ripple in the biasing voltage. My reports on quality etc., continue to be excellent, but I am a little worried. I checked C_{18} , the 100 mf capacitor in the circuit and it seemed to be okay. Is this condition normal for this circuit? What can I do to smooth out the voltage? Being a perfectionist, I'd like to do it. Any good suggestion?"

Yes, thanks to Joe Santangelo (W1NXY) again!

"In carefully checking out my Warrior final," writes Joe, "I figured that the bias supply could do with a little more filtering. The existing 100 mf capacitor which has a reactance of about 27 ohms at 60 cycles never gets a chance to become fully charged with

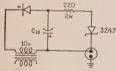


Fig. 6—Improved bias supply filtering circuit for the Heath Warrior.

the 11 ohm resistor across it. Hence a peak ripple of 14 volts appears on the bias supply line. By removing the 11 ohm resistor and installing a zener diode in its place with a current limiting resistor between the bias line and the 100 mf capacitor, the ripple is reduced to less than 0.15 volts peak to peak. This is insignificant compared to the drive signal voltage. The drive signal voltage will vary from about 25 to 120 volts depending on the band and the mode of operation. I used the International Rectifier Corporation's zener diode type 3Z4.7. This diode is capable of handling 3.5 watts dissipation. As I use it, it is dissipating less than 1 watt and no heat sink is necessary. The current limiting resistor shown limits the current through the diode to about 45 milliamperes. Perhaps there is another approach that might be less expensive, but I think I have found the method that gives me

a practical low source impedance to the bias line."

See fig. 6 for the modified circuit. We now consider Joe an expert on the Warrior and honorary technical assistant to HAM CLINIC on the set.

KE-93 Drift—"I have a KE-93 receiver which I have been using successfully on a.m. mobile. However, I am now on s.s.b. and find that the stability on 10, 15 and 20 meters s.s.b. is not good. On the lower (40 and 80 meter) bands I have little trouble. Anything suggested for bettering the stability on the upper bands?"

I too have a KE-93. I stabilized mine by replacing the tube shields with IERC heat-sink shields which lowered inside chassis temperature, and by stabilizing the screen voltages on the h.f. oscillator and b.f.o. It is now as steady as it can be! If this does not help, suggest you look into padding capacitor operation. Anyone have anything else, or a better way to do the job? Info will be appreciated.

Dual V.O.M.-V.T.V.M.—"I enjoyed your thoughts on V.O.M.s and VTVMs in the September issue of CQ very much. How come some enterprising manufacturer does not come out with a dual unit, a VTVM and VOM in one case? It seems to me that such a unit would really be grabbed up by those of us just starting out in ham radio for we would not have to worry about buying two units. Any information on the subject?"

Yes. Take a look at the photograph of Sencore's new dual VOM-VTVM. Although designed with the TV serviceman in mind, it is an ideal unit for the ham shack. It has



Sencore combination VOM-VTVM.

6 d.c.-a.c. ranges up to 1000 volts, 6 resistance ranges up to 1000 megohms, and 6 peak-to-peak ranges on a.c. up to 2800 volts. Its top accuracy is better than 3% and contains two a.c. outlet plugs for added convenience. The unit is housed in an all-steel case whose removable cover contains information on transformer color coding, resistance chart etc. If you want detailed technical information on this fine unit, write Sencore, 426 South West-

gate Drive, Addison, Illinois. Tell them you want the dope on their Model SM-112 Combination VOM-VTVM.

G-76 Info—Earlier production models of the G-76 transceiver which have the 12AQ5 clamper tube, developed a switching transient in the modulator section which in turn created a heavy pulse arc in the function switch or neutralizing capacitor. This transient can be eliminated by replacing C_{40} (.25 mf @600 v) with a 50 mf 25 to 50 v.d.c. capacitor.

Solderless Splice—"Any idea of how to tie two pieces of copper wire together for a real good connection without using solder?"

Yes. See fig. 7. This scheme used by many fishermen also works very successfully with

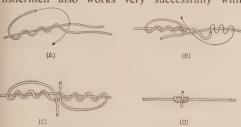


Fig. 7—Simple method of splicing wires securely without soldering; a handy item for Field Day operations. Both ends of wire are pulled tight with pliers for a good connection.

wire. If used with antenna wire however, it is a good idea to sweat solder the connection.

Capacity Alarms Etc.—We have received a number of letters (from non-hams) requesting information on items not even remotely connected with ham radio. These items were capacity alarm systems, special hi-fi circuitry, electronic counters, metal locators, etc. In most cases we have referred readers to existing publications containing information on the items requested. HAM CLINIC is solely for the purpose of assisting fellow hams with their ham radio technical problems. It does no commercial consulting; is impartial in its activities and accepts no fee or other remuneration from hams it helps. When writing HAM CLINIC be sure to enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope. Because your conductor must use his spare time to answer correspondence, do research and testing in his own private lab and prepare the column (with help from his able XYL), please allow at least three weeks for a reply. Whenever we can, we try to answer correspondence within 48 hours after receipt, but correspondence during the last four months has been so great that we had to extend our answering deadline. So be patient and bear with us. Perhaps if we are not snowed under we can arrange our schedule so that we can reply within a week.

Q Multiplier Hum—"I own a receiver which uses a 12AX7 as a Q multiplier tube and first

audio amplifier. I have checked this tube on a good tube checker and it is okay. I've also checked (what I could) most of the parts in the Q circuit, but I still cannot determine what is causing the hum. Any tips?"

Yes, take that 12AX7 out and replace it with another. Bet it has excessive heater to cathode leakage, something even a good tube tester won't always find.

Running Paint—"How do you keep paint from running? I use an enamel paint spray can."

When using pressurized cans, paint running is due to spraying too close on a vertical surface. For a good even coat of paint, spray one side of a cabinet at a time on the horizontal (side top-up), and do not spray closer than about 9 inches.

Rotor Noise—"I use a prop-pitch motor to turn my beam but cannot 'zero' on a signal with the receiver . . . too much noise. I've tried filters of various types including a brute force to no avail. What can be done?"

You didn't say if the noise was heard on all bands. However, I am inclined to think that it is more bothersome on 10, 15 and 20. Suggest you use a tuned parallel (series connected) filter in series with the line at the rotor; one for each band. The filter I suggest is the same



Fig. 8—Parallel resonant trap for eliminating rotator noise radiation on 10 meters. Other similar units may be necessary for 20 and 15 meters.

type used to reduce or eliminate auto generator whine and hash. See fig. 8 for an effective filter for 10 meters. Using a coaxial type condenser (case well grounded) in each leg of the line may be all that you need.

Simplest BC Set—"I need the circuit for a very simple BC set using only one transistor. I'd like to feed it into the phono input of a second receiver. Can you help? This will be used for CONELRAD."

Sure. See fig. 9. Nothing could be simpler.

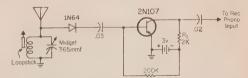


Fig. 9—Simple broadcast receiver suitable for Conelrad applications. Head phones may be substituted for R₁ if desired.

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HAM CLINIC extends Thanksgiving greetings to all of its fine readers.

72, 73 and 75, Chuck



semiconductors

Tow that high power r.f. transistors are available, the problem of modulating these circuits arises. Circuits, of course, present no particular obstacles—class A and B modulators have been available for some time. The major difficulty is in locating suitable transformers for matching the modulation source to the load.

For example, let's say you wish to modulate a 30 watt transistor transmitter. Upwards of 15 watts of audio will be required. Commercial transformers jump from 10 watts to 40 watts with no intermediate values. The 10 watt transformer cannot be used, for core saturation or IR loss will prevent 100% modulation of the transmitter. If the 40 watt transformer is used, the efficiency will be very poor at the 15 watt level.

The author found himself in this position when designing a 30 watt, 12 volt completely transistorized aeronautical/marine transceiver for the 1.6-5.0 mc range. Experimenters faced with this design problem, like the author, usually dig out the textbooks and do a bit of boning up on the subject. If you have faced a similar situation, the following discourse should be of interest.

Let's take the above application and design it from the ground up. We can take a few liberties, and use rules of thumb, to simplify the calculations involved. Actually all the facts required to design a suitable modulator and modulation transformer, are given in the preceding paragraph.

First, we will determine the class C stage load impedance. This is given by;

$$Z = \frac{E}{I}$$

Since the final must draw 2.5 amperes at 12 volts for 30 watts input, the load is established at 4.8 ohms. We also know that to modulate a 30 watt amplifier, at least 15 watts of audio is required. However, the transformer will be only 60-90% efficient. Using the mean figure, 75% we find that an actual modulator power output of 20 watts is required.

The class B audio circuit is the most practical for battery operated equipment because of its low idling current, high peak power output and high efficiency. The efficiency of a typical class B amplifier averages about 66%.

This tells us that to run 20 watts input, we must draw 30 watts from the battery. Thus the modulator, as well as the final amplifier will consume 2.5 amperes on modulation peaks.

Once these parameters are established, we can proceed to calculate the modulation transformer impedance. Each transistor in the class B push-pull pair must look into a specific resistance or it cannot deliver a specific power. For example a stage operated from 12 volts, and looking into a 100 ohm load, cannot possibly deliver more than one and one-half watts of audio. This much is simple ohms law. Impedance is given by the expression:

$$Z = \frac{V_{cc^2}}{2 \cdot P_0}$$

For the example under discussion, we find:

$$Z = \frac{144}{40}$$

$$Z = 3.6 \text{ ohms}$$

Thus, each transistor must look into 3.6 ohms to deliver 20 watts of audio. This establishes the primary at 14.4 ohms centertapped (not 7.2, impedance changes with the square of the turns). Thus our modulation transformer must be 14.4 ohms center tapped to 4.8 ohms. The turns ratio required to accomplish this is given by the expression;

$$N = \sqrt{\frac{Z_s}{Z_p}}$$

$$N = \sqrt{\frac{4.8}{14.4}}$$

$$N = \sqrt{.33}$$

$$N = .575$$

Therefore the modulation transformer must have a stepdown ratio of 1 to .575.

This is fine, but where do we start in determining how many turns go on each winding? The same formula used for winding power transformers is applicable. After all, what is a modulation transformer but a power transformer operating over the audio spectrum. The formula is:

$$N = \frac{10^8}{4.4 \times f \times a \times 6}$$

$$N = \frac{10^8}{4.44 \times 400 \times 1 \times 50,000}$$

$$N = \frac{10^2}{4.44 \times 4 \times 5}$$

$$N = 11 \text{ turns}$$

where;

N=turns per volt 4.44=constant f=minimum frequency with no loss a=area of core in in.² \emptyset =flux density/in.²

In the formula, f is quite variable. In hi-fi applications 30 or 40 cycles would be used. For communications purposes, 400 to 600 cycles should be used. Only the efficiency will be down at the lower audio frequencies. Core heating would occur if a steady low frequency tone was applied but this seldom happens in communications service.

The core area, a, will require some fancy footwork, sprinkled liberally with logic. The core must handle the 2.5 ampere class C current and 2.5 ampere peaks with modulation. The push-pull class B configuration cancels out the flux saturation to a large extent, so that the primary current is not so important as the secondary current. The selection of a suitable core depends almost entirely on how much IR loss you can accept. Naturally the smaller the core, the more turns required per volt. This increases the copper loss. For example, if the secondary measured one ohm, the 2.5 ampere current would result in a loss of 2.5 volts. The final can ill afford to lose 2.5 volts! This represents some 20% of the available voltage! Additionally, if the core is small, the window (the winding area) will also be small, and it may not be possible to wind on a sufficient number of turns. As a rule of thumb, I recommend a core which is capable of carrying the flux on a continuous basis. For example, a total of 5.0 amperes flows in our modulation transformer (primary plus secondary) and at 12 volts this represents 60 watts. A power transformer of say 300 volts at 100 ma. (30 watts), 6.3 volts at 5 amperes (19.5 watts) and 5 volts at 2 amperes (10 watts) totals 59.5 watts capacity. A core which is suitable for this transformer will make an ideal core for our modulation transformer and permit maximum size wire with minimum IR losses.

Upon stripping off the windings for this transformer we find an E and I core measuring $2\frac{1}{2}$ " \times 3" \times 1". The center of the E, that is the part the wire is wound on, measures one square inch. This figure is inserted in the formula for a. For the last variable, flux density, another rule of thumb must be used unless you know the composition of the steel. A flux density of 50,000 lines for a power transformer or 70,000 lines for an audio

core is satisfactory. Now, let's insert all the numbers in the formula and see what comes out:

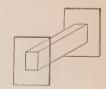
Thus 11 turns per volt are required on the primary. Due to the autotransformer action, the instantaneous end-to-end modulation transformer primary voltage will be 2 $V_{\rm cc}$ or 24 volts. Thus 264 turns, centertapped, are required on the primary. It should be pointed out that to achieve maximum coupling the primary must be bifilar wound, that is, the winding consists of two parallel wires. The centertap is made by connecting the start of one wire with the finish of the other. The remaining two wires are the ends of the centertapped winding.

The secondary turns can be determined by referring to the winding ratio determined earlier. If the 264 turn winding equals 14.4 ohms, then .575 of this would equal 4.8 ohms. Thus 152 turns will be required for the secondary.

Once the number of turns have been established, we must refer to the copper wire table (see ARRL handbook) to determine the wire sizes. For modulation service we can use a current carrying capacity of 300 to 500 circular mils per ampere. At 2.5 amperes secondary current and 400 c.m. per ampere, a wire size of 1,000 c.m. is required. The nearest size is number 20 enamelled at 1022 c.m. Each half of the primary passes 1.25 amperes. Thus for 400 c.m./ampere the primary would be wound with #23 wire. If this wire size is not available, it can be wound with either #22 or #24 depending on what you are willing to accept in the way of IR loss and available winding area. It is permissible to use #24 since the primary current is pulsating and not continuous.

From this point on, the job becomes a physical one of winding the transformer. The winding will be easier and go much faster if you prepare a bobbin to fit the core, as shown in fig. 1. The primary generally goes on first.

Fig. 1—A bobbin simplifies the winding of the transformer.



Be sure to fan the terminating wires out the long side of the bobbin so they miss the core.

According to the copper wire table, you can get 41.3 turns of \$24 wire on a linear inch. If the window of the core is 1½" long it will hold slightly over 60 turns per layer. Thus 4.6 layers will be required to hold the primary. Five layers of 53 turns each can also be used. Because of the low peak voltages, no insulating paper is required between the layers. A paper stock, about the thickness of a business card, should be used between primary and secondary layers to support the heavier wire.

The secondary winding goes on next. The

copper wire table informs us that we can get in 29.4 turns of \$20 wire per linear inch. On a 1½" layer this is 44 turns and it will require 4 layers to wind on the 151 turns of the secondary. Four layers of 38 turns each could be used to make each winding equal, also.

Admittedly we have taken a few liberties and the completed transformer will be rather crude. The fact remains, however, it will work as designed. It is rather amazing how much lati-

tude the designer is permitted.

To illustrate the point, an f of 600 cycles was inserted into the turns/volt formula. This resulted in a transformer of 7.5 turns per volt and a 180 turn primary winding. Inserted into the ratio formula it produced a secondary winding of 105 turns. This permitted larger wire to be used with a subsequent reduction in IR losses. The performance was nearly identical with only slightly less gain below 200 cycles.

In retrospect it appears that the secondary winding should have been wound on first. It is far more important to have the least IR loss on the secondary winding. Placing this winding on the core first produces a smaller circumference.

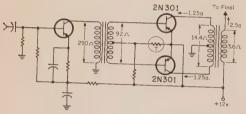


Fig. 2—Schematic diagram of the modulator discussed in the text.

Figure 2 shows the schematic for the completed modulator stage. Since the power input to this stage is 30 watts and the power output is 20 watts, the two transistors must be able to dissipate 10 watts. Transistors with 5 watts continuous dissipation will actually provide a wide safety factor since the dissipation is not continuous. Inexpensive RCA 2N301's, with 11 watts dissipation were used and eliminate the need for emitter stabilization.

Of course, our modulator is of little value without a driver. The driving power required by the class B stage is given by dividing the power output by the gain of the stage. The stage gain is given by the expression;

$$Gain = \frac{(h_{fe})^2 \cdot R_L}{h_{fe}}$$

where:

 $h_{\rm fe}$ =forward current transfer ratio or simply current gain.

hie = input impedance

 $R_{\rm L}^{\rm e}$ =load resistance each modulator sees

The first two figures are given by the transistor data sheet. For a 2N301 $h_{\rm fe}$ and $h_{\rm ie}$ are

30 db and 23 ohms respectively. Thus:

gain =
$$\frac{900 \times 3.6}{23}$$

gain = 141 (100 equals 20 db)

The driving power can be determined by;

drive =
$$\frac{20}{141}$$
 = 0.14

Thus approximately 140 milliwatts is required. Since the audio driving transformer will be only 50 to 75% efficient a driving power of at least 200 milliwatts should be available. To develop this power in a class A stage, as we have in fig. 2, 500 milliwatts (or ½ watt) of d.c. power is required from the supply, assuming an efficiency of 40%. This tells us that with a 12 volt supply, the driver transistor must draw approximately 42 ma. The primary impedance of the driver transformer may be found by using the impedance formula given earlier or simply by dividing the driver current by the driver collector voltage. In either case the answer is approximately 290 ohms. From the 2N301 data sheet we know the impedance of the input (23 ohms) and this should be the secondary impedance of the driver transformer. For two 2N301's in class B, a secondary impedance of 92 ohms centertapped would be required. As an exercise to see if the preceding discussion was absorbed, you might try calculating the winding data for the driver transformer.

The circuit for the completed modulator is shown in fig. 2. It is rather amazing to see the results when you consider that the only knowns, other than the transistor data, was the class C r.f. amplifier power input and the supply voltage. By using these bits of information all the values shown in fig. 2 can be determined. Other values, such as bias networks and high frequency bypassing must be determined by consulting the transistor characteristics. The thermistor in the class B stage prevents excessive current flow, and possible thermal runaway, at high temperatures. The fixed resistor in this network is set for minimum crossover distortion. It can be set empirically or by consulting the transistor curves. The network must furnish sufficient current to bias the transistor past the knee at the cutoff end of the curve. The remaining components are determined by the operating conditions in the driver stage.

Lapping Machine

Have you ever wondered what happened to the semiconductor wafer after the ingot was sliced? They are usually placed in a machine such as the one shown in the accompanying photograph. The slice is placed in one of 10 carriers and polished to a flatness and parallelism of 0.000005 inches and a mirror finish in

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WHR

50mc. 144mc. 220mc. 420mc. and above

Tow that the contests are all over, new feedlines installed, and new projects underway, our thoughts turn once again to the inevitable antenna changeover. What will it be next? Well, if the summer's hurricanes didn't take it down this year, it just isn't big enough. Why does Joe consistently work stations you're not even hearing? Ten to one it's his "eyesore" on the roof. If you are at all in the mood for improving your station at low cost, read on! The antenna you buy will by far give you more for your money in the long run than any piece of ham gear you purchase (including a receiver). Think it over. Your best investment is that antenna on the roof. Everything you do, everything you buy or build is entirely dependent on ye olde radiator. To expound upon this a bit further, we might even derive a formula which could conclude that your success on the v.h.f. bands is directly proportional to the improvements on your antenna system.

On the basis that in most receivers we use today, approximately 6 db equals one "S" unit, changing that 12 db system to a 17 db setup would give you almost another 6 db (or another "S" unit) of gain. This can well make the difference between hearing 'em and not

hearing 'em.

We all know of certain local boys who put all their money into their antennas and end up with 25 watts into an 11 over 11. Crazy? Well maybe at first glance . . . but for some reason they always seem to do just a little bit better than the rest when it comes time to separate the men from the boys. After a time the disease catches and begins to leave you wondering. Well stop wondering and do something about it! Why be satisfied with a fair or good array just like everyone else has? Get the biggest and best antenna you can afford. The 6 meter antenna used here at K2ZSQ is an 11 element yagi 27 feet long. Our good friend Frank, K2MLB, on the other hand, uses two 36 foot 11 element Yagis stacked. I guess I don't have to tell you who gets out best.

While we're on the subject of antennas, it might be good to think about that all important link: the feedline. Both the antenna and the feedline contribute to that receiver noise figure which everyone seems to worry so much about. There will always be those to say that a better noise figure doesn't make the weak signals any better to read, but they're usually the ones with so much loss that they don't

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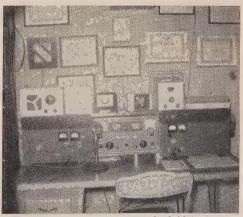
On Sept. 14th, K1HMU and W6ONG exchanged signal reports (S-3) via the moon on 144 mc. Details next month.

know what their antenna really sounds like. A 3 db loss in the coax may make your v.s.w.r. look good, but it sure soaks up those signals. Improve your antenna and feedline and you'll lower that noise figure and hear more.

Let us assume you now have one S unit of noise (6 db). Change your coax to something with 3 db less attenuation, and you've got 3 db more signals (½ S unit). Savy? What kind of cable to get? The best you can afford. Don't be taken in by some of the so-called "new" surplus coax. Much of this stuff is just plain pure junk at high prices. The secret to getting good cable is in finding out what type of jacket material is used. Let's divide our jacket types into two categories; Type I and Type II.

Type I jacket material contains a plasticizer substance of the migrating variety or one that migrates from the day of manufacture from the jacket to the inner dielectric. This plasticizer's purpose is to obtain flexibility; once it migrates, it hardens and cracks the dielectric material. This means, of course, that RG-8/U (which is type I) of WW II vintage is essentially worthless. Type I jacket coax cables have a useful life of one year. After that, watch that gain drop!

Our second category, Type II jackets, on the other hand, have a useful life of ten to fifteen years or longer. They are of a non-migrating



Neat station at WA2BDP, Ridgefield, N. J.

variety and last much longer. How to tell what jacket material is used on the cable? Here's a sampling:

Type I		Type II
RG-8/U	100	RG-8 A/U
RG-58/U		RG-58 B/U
RG-59/U		RG-59 A/U
RG-58 A/U		RG-59 B/U

On most cables today just plain /U generally indicates Type I. Those with A/U or B/U are usually Type II. RG-58A/U (52 ohms) is the exception in the table above. The difference in cost for the Type II jacket is usually only 1¢ per foot. What a small amount to pay for quality!

While you're mulling over the jacket types and longevity of your future installation, you might well consider one more factor: loss. As we mentioned earlier, this is a most important point. Assuming you'll be running approximately 100 feet of cable to the antenna, it figures out like so:

6 Meters

RG-8A/U	1.4	db	loss
RG-58A/U	3.2	db	loss
RG-58B/U	2.6	db	loss
RG-59/U	2.4	db	loss
RG-59A/U	1.25	db	loss
	0.001		

2 Meters

RG-8A/U	2.6	db	loss
RG-58A/U	6.3	db	loss
RG-58B/U	5.2	db	loss
RG-59/U	4.5	db	loss
RG-59A/U		db	loss
RG-17/U	1.0	db	loss

The last entries (RG-17/U) were thrown in for those who have money. RG-17/U runs about \$48.00 per hundred feet. Didn't list RG-19A/U (with 0.89 db loss at 2 meters); stuff runs 85¢ a foot. Might suggest to the 220 and 432 mc crowd: look into RG-17/U. Although it is priced awfully high, you need it at those frequencies. At 432 mc, for instance, 100 feet of RG-58A/U will cut things down 13 db! That's right; over two good S units down the drain. RG-17/U, on the other hand, results in only 2.2 db loss per hundred feet. Worth looking into, eh? Enough said this time. Maybe more heckling next month . . .

CQ's Century Club Awards

It's that time again . . . time to remind you of our new awards given to any and all v.h.f.-u.h.f. operators who qualify. The rules and regulations run something like this:

The CQ Century Club Award is offered to those who have met with the following qualifications in one year's time. (This means from March 1 to March 1, August 31st to August 31st; any period of 365 days. The year begins



Operating position at K6QXY. Looks like he's tuni up at WMGM. Most impressive set-up with re mounted kilowatt on the left.

with your first listed contact.

50 mc entrants must show a list of 150 cd tacts within one year with the proper QSL's hand to present as verification if requests. This list must consist of just those whose car you have received. Each entry must have a call of that station and the date worked. Nuber them one to one hundred fifty (in chror logical order). Make sure that the two dafurthest apart do not exceed one year between Each list must be headed by these two dashowing the span of time covered in the entries.

144 mc entrants must show a list of at le 100 confirmed contacts with the informati above.

220 mc entrants must show a list of at less 50 confirmed contacts with the informating given under the 50 mc award above.

432 mc entrants must show a list of at le 25 confirmed contacts with the informating given under the 50 mc award.

Each list must be accompanied by a statement reading, "We, the undersigned, here verify that John Q. Ham, K5XXX, displays to cards listed from actual on-the-air contact. This statement must be signed by at least twitnesses (preferably licensed amateurs).

The cards themselves may be sent inste of a list, but adequate postage must also included for their return. This seems to avera out to about 96¢ first class mail for 150 car When you mail your cards, note how much takes and include the same amount of stan or cash with your application.

There is no limit to how many certification you may earn.

Processing of this award takes about the weeks. Take this fact into consideration whe writing.

There is no charge for this award. This servace is free for all who qualify.

Lists and statements should be mailed to: *CQ* Century Club Awards, c/o Bob Brown, **K2ZSQ**, 67 Russell Avenue, Rahway, New Jersey.

The certificates themselves are real beauts, well worth working for. They will be dated according to the dates you present on your list so that you can take off on a new award from the date appearing on the last. Good luck with the certificates, boys!

Project Moonbounce-144 mc

More word from Ned Conklin, K1HMU, on his now-famous moonbounce experiments:

"The moonbounce transmission and receiving systems are finished, and we are transmitting on 144.252 mc plus or minus about 3 kc with 1 kw input. The antenna is 176 elements in clockwise circular polarization. Due to the reflection, the best receiving antenna would be counterclockwise circularly polarized. A linear antenna, either horizontal or vertical, can be used, but with at least 3 db loss; clockwise polarization probably won't work at all. The antenna type used here is crossed yagis fed a quarter wave apart; this results in a clockwise transmitting pattern and counterclockwise receiving pattern. Another possible antenna is a counterclockwise helix. This also transmits counterclockwise, however.

"We will interrupt the constant transmission schedules to try to make a contact if requested; just let us know. Receiving is done with a parametric into a Collins receiver with audio filter. Please try to have your transmitting frequency on 144.250 mc plus or minus 50 kc to make it easier on the receiver and paramp.

"Transmissions for the present will consist of one second pulses, four seconds apart; identification every ten minutes will be MOON-BOUNCE TEST DE K1HMU at 3-4 w.p.m. Please let us know if you hear the signal and good luck!"

Ned Conklin, K1HMU Old Mountain Road Farmington, Connecticut Telephone: Or 7-1565

Write to Ned for an up-to-date day by day transmission schedule at the address above.

6 element 144 mc Yagi

George Haylock, G2DHV, came through with a new 2 meter antenna this way . . . "Have rebuilt my five element wide spaced beam to a six element close spaced yagi on the same length of boom. Results were increased gain and narrow angle of horizontal acceptance. Seems to work quite well from 144 to 146 mc. Close spacing of the first three directors helps the change of phase angle on reflected signals. Material used was ex-government 14" diameter wireless rods of 12" length. An extra one cut up to fit the ends of three foot sections to make up the required lengths.

The driven element was carefully bent to shape. Additional elements can be added using the same dimensions and spacings as the last director.

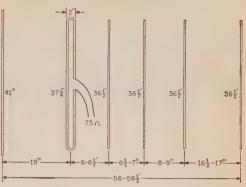


Fig. 2—G2DHU's 6 element 2 meter beam constructed of ¼'' aluminum rods. Element spacings are not critical and may vary between the limits shown.

Tip of the Month

A new member of our Tip of the Month club is the 'ole v.h.f.'er himself, John, K2ZBX, of Elberon, New Jersey. Here's a cheap and easy way (less than one dollar) to make a socket for that 4X150A or 4X250B. Only thing to remember is to run the screen bypass capacitor to the screw on the top of the socket. Good luck!

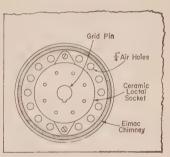


Fig. 1—Cheap and easy socket and air system for the 4X150A tubes. The ceramic loctal socket is mounted in a conventional manner on the chassis while the holes and Eimac SK-606 chimney direct air from a blower below chassis.

Mailbag

Spenard, Alaska: Jack Reich, KL7AUV, writes...

"Haven't had a moment to call my own for quite a while, but things are looking up now. Am getting rid of some of my extra-curricular projects and should have more time to pursue my own hobbies." Make time, Jack!

"Saw the boxed note in QST re the July 4th openings. As luck would have it, Margie and I were on our annual trip to the Fairbanks area Amateur Radio Picnic at Birch Lake (halfway

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RTTY

BYRON H. KRETZMAN, KOWMR

108 W. TERESA DRIVE, WEST ST. PAUL 18, MINNESOTA

RTTY Operating Frequencies

Nets centered on frequencies given; operation usually \pm 10 kc.

80	meters	3620 kc
40	meters	7140 kc
20	meters	14,090 kc
15	meters	21,090 kc
6	meters	52.6 mc

MATEUR radioteletype holds a special fascination for those engaged in it. While a radio amateur will go from c.w. to 'phone, then to single-sideband, and then back again, those who try RTTY invariably stay with it throughout the years. There are several reasons for this. Probably the biggest reason is that RTTY, out of the necessity born of the lack of inexpensive commercially built gear, awakens the desire to create, to develop the extraordinary electronic transmitting and receiving equipment that enables us to talk across the miles with a speed and efficiency not possible with other modes. This is the same desire that fired hams thirty and forty years ago while probing the little-known world below 200 meters.

The New RTTY Handbook

For so long it has been so very difficult for the radio amateur in search of information on RTTY to find it all in one place. Now, at long

last, the Cowan Publishing Corporation has made available, as part of the CQ Technical Series, the New RTTY Handbook. This book was written to satisfy the need of the radic amateur still left with a spark of creativeness, a spark of courage, and an appreciation of accomplishment. At the very least it will enable you to get the dust off that machine you couldn't resist buying; and, incidentally, open up to you a whole new world in amateur radio.

Elsewhere in this issue of CQ, on page 140 there is the formal announcement and list of Contents of this new and fascinating book Note that it is available directly from CQ, 300 West 43rd Street, New York 36, New York.

Something Else New

Ordinarily news of a new product would appear on other pages of CQ, but accessories purely for RTTY are so few and far between that we just had to tell you about it. Besides, the Old Man at the Green Keys has been growling so much about fellows not using the correct amount of shift that this just might keep him quiet for a while.

The photo shows a little black box, called the FSK Scope Calibrator, that enables the RTTYer to set his shift right smack on the nose with the aid of the usual inexpensive kit-type of 'scope found in the shack. In addition, it permits the 'scope to be used as a very accurate tuning indicator. This useful device is the brain-child of WøHZR, the originator of the phase shift tuning indicator described back in the May 1956 issue of *CQ*.

Operation is very simple. The device is hooked to either the 500 ohm or voice coil audio output of the receiver. A three-circuit plug and cord connects to the vertical and horizontal inputs of the 'scope. Putting the rotary



Baud FSK scope calibrator

switch in the CAL position and feeding any beat note to the unit gives a 45 degree trace on the 'scope when the vertical and horizontal gain controls are correctly adjusted. (A 45 degree triangle is supplied.) Little black adhesive triangles or arrowheads are provided to mark the face of the 'scope at 45 degrees and at 90 degrees. Putting the switch in the 850 position then indicates that amount of shift when the mark and space traces coincide with the angle indicators on the 'scope face. A 900 switch position is also provided to check to see that the legal maximum amount of shift is not exceeded. Price? \$29.75; from Baud, Inc., 620 North 6th Street, Minneapolis 11, Minnesota.

F.M. Nets

For many years 52.6 mc has been the established RTTY operating frequency on 6 meters. In the last few years considerable f.m. equipment, usually crystal controlled transmitters and receivers formerly used in taxicabs or police cars, has been finding its way into amateur hands. This fixed-channel equipment is naturally ideal for any net operation. Everyone is always on frequency, no tuning of the receiver is necessary, and the receivers are a great deal "hotter" than those found in the customary a.m. installation. The result is that many combination fixed and mobile nets have been formed for a variety of purposes.

This type of fixed-frequency operation, of course, is ideal for autostart RTTY. (For the benefit of the unwashed multitude, autostart is the system of controlling the receiving machines at unattended stations for directed messages.) As the result of the greatly extended range afforded by this f.m. gear, it has almost unanimously been adopted by RTTY nets on 2 meters as well as on 6. Such nets are in operation on 6 in the Minneapolis/St. Paul, Indianapolis, and in the Lafayette, Elkhart, and Ligonier, Indiana areas. On 2 meters such nets are in operation in Chicago, St. Louis, Cleveland, and in the Indiana areas.

Since so little publication has been given to this type of operation, three public-spirited amateurs, K4ZAD, W4DYE, and W4PDX, have published an F.M. Net Directory that gives the frequencies, the locations, and the calls of the associated liason stations for f.m. nets on 6 and on 2 meters. Because of the wide-spread



RTTY in the Netherlands, PAØCDV



K8KBO, Highland Park, Michigan

Operator: Chuck Wakely

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ARC-5, 40 meter

Transmitters: 500 watt, home brew, ARC-5, 40 meter

Converters: W2JAV tube TU

W2JAV transistorized TU

mobile operation that quite naturally takes place with this equipment, it is suggested that 52.525 mc and 146.94 mc be established as National calling and working frequencies. Since multichannel operation is frequently available simply by switching crystals, operation with (or as) transient mobiles is an easy matter. Our 52.6 mc frequency is conveniently close to 52.525 mc, so we can quickly jump from RTTY to 'phone to work mobiles and to talk with non-RTTYers. For more information on this type of operation for your net, contact T. A. McKee, K4ZAD, 1306 Grove Road, Lynchburg, Virginia.

Across North America

W1AW is keeping RTTY skeds on 80 and 40 for Project OSCAR, with casual RTTY operation Saturday evenings and Sundays. W1EFF of Gray, Maine, reports a visit to W1YDA and to K1CLF, two other active RTTYers in Maine. K1EFZ of Westbrook, Maine, just acquired his Model 15. W3GBU found a Model 15 for \$35 and is hooking it up to the Twin City TU. He also has 200 rolls of 3 copy paper. (Anybody need paper? Contact Ron at 5783 Jonquil Ave., Baltimore 15, Maryland.)

Don Wiggins, W4EHU, is designing converters for Alltronics-Howard (W1AFN). W4BKJ is on 20 from Decatur, Georgia. W6YJG transmits NCARTS, Inc. bulletins on 20. W7LPM in Seattle, Washington, is using a Model 19 and Model 14 typing reperforator on 20, running 400 watts to a 3 element beam. K8SOE of Loveland, Ohio, is on 6 meters with 60 watts, Model 14, 15, and 28 equipment, and a W2JAV TU. K8NLM, 1808 Timmonds Ave., Portsmouth, Ohio, will build the Twin City TU for anyone interested. KøYIW moved to Roselle,

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BY LOUISA B. SANDO, W5RZJ

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1962 YLRL Officers

HE Young Ladies Radio League is off to another big year, the 23rd of its existence. Leading this international club of women radio amateurs during 1962 will be these officers: President, W1ZEN, Onie Woodward; V.P., K2JYZ, Lillian Byrne; secretary, K1IZT, Blanche Randles; treasurer, K6OQD, Jean Kincheloe.

Serving as District Chairman will be: W1ICV, Jane Anderson; K2UKQ, Kay Gaynor; W3RXJ, Irene Akers; K4LVE, Gladys Biggs; W5DIV, Anna Harrison; K6JPY, Dee Gustafson; W7TGG, Vera Woods; W8OTK, Alice Geib; K9EMP, Marge Schum; K\(\theta\)HEU, Thelma Haas; VE3BFE, Bea King; KH6DLD, Sheila Goodhue; KL7ALZ, Geraldine Nichols.

As of this writing we know of no changes in the appointive offices and Onie hoped they would continue with their FB work: K6EXQ, Connie Hauck, Editor of YL Harmonics; K4TGA, Alice Ginsberg, Publicity Chairman; W6QYL, Martha Edwards, Advertising Mgr.; KøGZO, Ginny Bush, YLRL supplies.

Membership Correspondents are: Eastern, W8WUB, Marolyn Gwinn; Western, K6BUS, Midge Rommel; International, K6ENL, Aleta Cash; Novice, W7DVH, Alice Sturdevant.

Certificate Custodians are: WAS/YL, W9GME, Grace Ryden; WAC/YL, K5YIB, Barbie Houston; DX/YL, W6UHA, Maxine Willis; YLCC, W4SGD, Katherine Johnson.

K1IZT, Blanche, also handles YLRL affiliation; K7BED, Bettie Mayer, handles continuous membership; W6CEE, Vada Letcher, is YLRL Librarian; and W7NJS, Beth Taylor, is budget and finance chairman.

Congratulations to the new officers; a vote of thanks to those who served YLRL so well during the last year; and our continuing appreciation to those who serve YLRL in the many other necessary posts.

YLRL welcomes licensed feminine radio operators throughout the world as members of this international organization. If you are not yet a member, write to one of the membership chairmen, or the chairman for your call area, for more information and membership application.

WIZEN

W1ZEN, Onie Woodward, moves up to the position of YLRL president after serving satisfies a Vice President during 1960. For a full write-up about Onie's activities check this column in CQ for Nov. 1960, p. 127. Since then Onie has added another sticker to her YLCC for 400 confirmed YL contacts. She has become a member of the Certificate Hunters Club and has received Colonial America Award endorsed "All YL #1."

K2JYZ

No stranger to these pages is the new YLRI V.P., K2JYZ, Lillian Byrne. Lil loves contests and YL nets and has been listed here frequently as a high scorer in the Anniversary Parties and YL/OM contests. She also has served as D/O in 2nd district in 1959. Lil has been on the air



WIZEN, Onie Woodward, YLRL president for 1961.



K2JYZ, Lillian Byrne, V.P. for YLRL in 1961.

YL NETS

	Time		
Day	(EST) Freq.		CS or Mgr.
Mon	08003920 kc 09007225 kc 11007235 kc	U.P. Michigan YL Floradora Loaded Clothesline	W8HAV W4IUR KØGAS
	18003890 kc 230029.6 mc 230050.56 mc	(phone) Oregon YL Darkeyed Queen BAYLARC (6 m)	W7HHH W9GME WA6ALK
Tues,	.08303900 kc 09007215 kc	Blue Ridge Floradora YL SSB (l.s.b.)	K4CZP W4UF
	090050.20 mc	HAWK Roost	K9MZV
	100050.33 mc	(6 m) Southern (6 m) Floradora	
	10303940 kc	Kansas YL	KØHEU K6JPY
	130029.13 mc 16007230 kc	Hairpin Montana-Idaho Roundtable	K7BKH
	17007105 kc 200051.0 mc	Finger Tip (c.w.) Rhode Island YL	K6ZCR W1GSD
Wed	08303900 kč	Yankee Lassies	KIIJV
	09007185 kc 09303900 kc	Floradora Novice YL Welcome	K4RDX W8ATB
	09303900 kc 10003840 kc	Wisconsin YL	K9TUD
	11307150 kc	Loaded Clothesline (c.w.)	KØEVG
	123021.39 mc	Cross Country	KZ5VR
	140014.26 mc 14007230 kc	YL SSB (u.s.b.) HAWK Roost (40 m)	K5BJU K9TCM
	140050.56 mc 2200146.1 mc	WRONE 6 M YL LAYL 2 M	K1IJV K6BUS
Thurs.	09003880 kc	TYLRUN	W5JCY
	09007260 kc 09007270 kc	Georgia Peaches Friendly Forty	K4ZZS W3UUG
	11007235 kc	TYLRUN	W5JCY
	130014.24 mc 190050.50 mc	Tangle HAWK Roost	KØEPE K9IXD
	200050,30 mc	(6 m) Floradora (6 m)	K4ANR
		Cen. Fla.	
	200050.33 mc	Floradora (6 m) So. Fla.	W4LPR
	2000 50.25 mc 23003915 kc	Oklahoma 6 M YL CHIRP	K6HHD
Fri	12307250 kc	Calif. YL Round- table (40 m)	W6QGX
	14003600 kc	WRONE YL C.W.	K1IJV
Sat	. 09303910 kc	HAWK Roost (75 m)	K9ILK
	13003845 kc	Mermaid	W6QYL
Sun	09007225 kc	Floradora Business	K4UIZ
	17003940 kc	Girl Kansas YL	KØHEU

WIZEN, Onie, supplied the above list. If any nets have been missed, let the YLRL vice-president know the day, time, name of net and call of NCS or net manager.

since 1954 (she also holds 3rd class commercial) and you can find her on 10, 15, 20 and 40 phone and cw. Among her awards Lil lists YLCC-350, WAC, WAC/YL, WAS, WAS/YL, DX-YL and CPC 20.

Lil's OM John is K2JYM, and he works for Sperry Gyroscope. They have six jr. ops: Maureen, 18, is K2ZUX; Jack, 15, is K2UNO; then twin girls 13, Kathryn and Lillian; Grace, 10, and Charles who is 6. Lil is a member of the N.Y.C. YLRL and HAWKS. She also is active in Civil Defense. Besides hamming she enjoys swimming, fishing and sewing.

KIIZT

Secretary Blanche Randles, K1IZT, is continuing in the position she carried so well during

1960. Full write-up and photo appeared in *CQ* for Nov. 1960, p. 127. To her list of certificates Blanche is proud to have added WAS/YL (#58) and she has a fifth endorsement on her YLCC (350 YLs). Blanche and her OM have been enjoying a newly acquired summer camp in New Hampshire. During the coming year she will be treasurer of the Framingham RC.

K6QQD

As YLRL treasurer, K6OQD, Jean Kincheloe, will be serving her third year in this position. For photo and write-up see this column in CQ for Jan. 1960. Since then she earned CHC, the first YL to do so. Jean is one busy gal what with YLRL treasury work and compiling the new Directory of all YLRL members. (Non-members can obtain the Directory for 50¢; in addition to information on all members, it will include listing of all YLRL certificates and rules for obtaining them, plus a listing of other YL certificates available.) We don't doubt but that OM Bill, K6OQC, also has her involved in his work with radio controlled model planes!

YLRL A.P.

Remember the dates of the YLRL Anniversary Party: CW — Oct. 25-26; Phone Nov. 8-9, 1961. Complete rules in this column in October CQ.

"Mule Mobile"

The mule in the accompanying photo must be well trained to stay "mobile" — haven't you always heard how these "critters" refuse [continued on page 171]



Ever try operating "Mule Mobile"? It's been done, and here's the proof. The occasion was a RACES test exercise held in connection with the Merced County Fair parade in Merced, Calif. Aug. 19, 1961. This was station K6VTT/MM (Mule Mobile) and consisted of a Communication III powered by a 12 v. storage battery lashed on opposite side of the mule. Holding the rope is Linda Margaretic, YL of W6PHL, and with the mike is WA6BWZ, Helen Ann Silveira. Others participating were K6DUU, K6RAU, W6BUA, K6RLX, K6LWO, K6ENF, K6LRR, WA6CWT. See text for more about Helen Ann.

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Vibrator Power Supply

THE new Heathkit GP-11 vibrator power supply recently announced, is a heavy-duty rated unit capable of converting 6 or 12 volt battery power to the plate power requirements of a wide variety of mobile or portable equipment. Its high power handling capabilities (250 v.d.c. @100 ma, i.c.a.s.) make it especially suited for use with the Heathkit models HW-19, HW-29A or HW-30 transceivers.

The GP-11 features silicon diode rectifiers and a simple change of wiring allows use in either 6 or 12 volt systems. Its small size is handy for the limited space availabilities in boats, cars, trucks, etc.

Easy to assemble with the famous Heath "check-by-step" instructions, the unit measures 45%" \times 61/2" \times 41/8" and weighs only 6 lbs. Check B in page 163 for more information on this versatile unit.

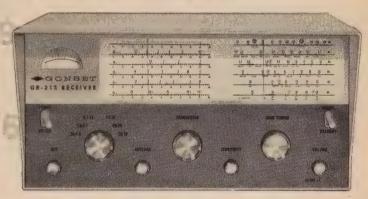
Field Strength - Power Meter

THE Plas-Tron Corporation of 815 S.W. Viewpoint Drive, Portland, Oregon has introduced a combination field strength meter and watt meter, designated the RWFS. It is an extremely rugged, highly accurate insrument which will indicate a maximum r.f. power output of 60 watts, from 2 to 250 mc, with less than 1.15 to 1 v.s.w.r. Two push-buttons are provided which, when pressed, give a full scale indication from 0 to 1.5 and 0 to 15 watts full scale. The termination unit is encapsulated in a high temperature, heat dissipating epoxy resin. The manufacturer claims an accuracy of +5% using a Triplett 0-20 µa meter with a logarithmic scale. The sliding antenna is used as an r.f. pickup as well as a variable attenuator for relative field strength measurements. The coaxial connector is a standard SO-239 UHFtype; other types on special order. The case is handsomely designed, black anodized, $\frac{1}{8}$ " thick structural aluminum tubing. The unit measures $7'' \times 3'' \times 1^{3}$ 4" and weighs 27 ounces. More information may be obtained by circling C on page 163.



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well as out. For further details circle D on page 163.



Lafayette S Meter

AFAYETTE Radio, 165-08 Liberty Ave., Jamaica 33, New York recently introduced a new low price signal strength meter for hams. Designated the TM-59, the meter is furnished with 6C4 tube and complete installation instructions.

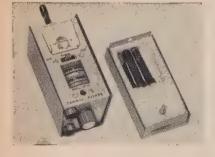
The S meter is a sensitive, high input impedance device which utilizes a v.t.v.m. type Wheatstone bridge circuit. When properly connected to any superheterodyne communications receiver or transceiver using an a.v.c. system, it will not load the a.v.c. line excessively. With only four leads, a.v.c. input, B+, filament and ground, simple installation is assured. The TM-59 meter is calibrated in S units from 1-9 and in db, up to S9 + 40 db, permitting accurate signal strength measurements for on the air reports, and tuning. The meter case has magnetic feet for mobile dashboard mounting. Check E on page 163 for further details.



Wire Stripper

You may have seen this little gadget advertised recently but we feel it certainly deserves further mention. Manufactured by the Bartley Manufacturing Co., Inc. this new wire stripper is well suited for "tight" operations such as hard-to-get-at corners, multi-conductor cables and short lengths of wire. The rugged tool will handle 16-26 gauge wire and spare parts such as blades are available from the manufacturer. For further information on the Bartley wire stripper, check F on page 163.





Tunnel Dipper

Heathkit. This new and different replacement for the popular GD-1B incorporates solid state circuitry throughout. A new tunnel diode is used as an oscillator, allowing complete portability; just the thing for field day operations, antenna adjustments and other measurements where light weight and freedom from power cords is demanded. A new and handy feature is the snap-on cover that stores the epoxy coated coils when not in use. The coils are color coded and keyed to the corresponding scale on the new precision drum dial. More information on this unit can be obtained by checking G on page 163.



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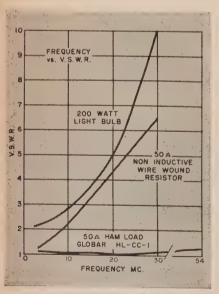
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future recommendations of the type made in regard to the top 15 kc on 14 mc.

If the principal purpose of our existence is to be ever-upward-climbing on the ladder of DXCC, then let that principal be openly stated. We will then know where we are going. And it will be a short trip. . . . It would seem that crowding the "family" into five

rooms of a ten room house would be whimsical. How

long can we afford such eccentricity?

As your editorial accurately appraised radio amateurs as being "somewhat related" to the human race, they do have preferences in their modes of operation, whether deservedly so or not. Further attempts at regimentation, i.e., frequency segregation, would make one wonder if freedom in this direction is not more fancied than real.

Preferences as to mode might be accurately de-termined, if we had the figures on equipment sold over the past few years. . . . That to say some steps should be taken in the direction of finding out whowants-to-work-what-mode-in-what-frequencies should not forthwith be classified as glaring heresy. However, from comments heard on the band, mostly in the order of pleas for operating space, none of these "outbursts" see the light of printers ink in the Amateur Press. Why is that?

From personal experience it has been evident that matters that tend to cause expressions seemingly "radical," i.e., expansion of phone frequencies, are never to be read about in the fraternity's publications. Some "spokesmen" for the Art have even told ham gatherings that outspoken opinions on the air would

lead to curtailment of amateur operations. Nice?

If more articles like "A careful look at S.S.B." reach the amateur readers some realism in our frequencies allocations considerations might seep down to the level of the policy-makers, i.e. sponsors of the

15 kc segregation on 14 mc.

To your attempt to bring about saner and more practical approaches to our problems let me conclude

by saying . . . Good Show!

Leonard Collett, KZ5LC Box 736, Balboa, Canal Zone

Special Nets

Editor, CQ:

What gives with all these special nets? First it was c.w. nets, phone nets, then it went to s.s.b. nets, RTTY nets, traffic nets, etc. Then, for some reason or other boredom, I guess the chess-players, the weather forecasters, the doctors, the teen agers, and now, finally, the dentists, all formed their own nets. The only thing I haven't run into is fish nets! Come to think of it, I have, too! Well, if you can't lick 'em, join 'em!

I trap pigeons commercially, and buy cats wholesale. Anybody interested in forming a net in either category?

> Eugene Austin, WØLZL Oakdale, Nebraska

Announcements [from page 22]

Corrections

The specifications for the transformer in the "Spectroscan" in last month's issue were omitted. They are as

T₆—Triad F-25X, 12.6 v.c.t. @ 1.5a.

T7-Special Dumont Scope transformer. Barry Elec-

tronics Stock nr. DSX-335 FNJ.
T₈—Stancor P-6134, 6.3 v.c.t. @ 1.2a.

W4RDM advises that an error exists in fig. 1 on page 80 of the May issue. R7 should be labeled 15K instead of 5K.

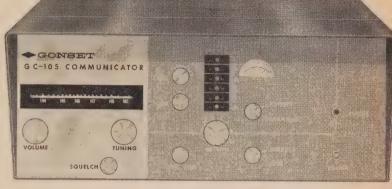
Our apologies for reversing fig. 1B and fig. 2B of "A High Output Linear Amplifier" on pages 42 and 43 of the September issue.

The correction appearing on page 18 of the October issue failed to indicate the article. The article in question is "Modulation Analyzer" p. 37 of the January issue. Again, our apologies.

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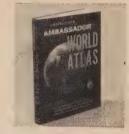
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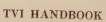
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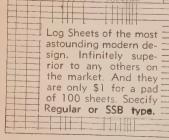
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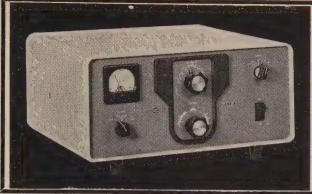
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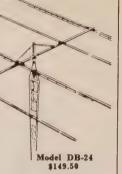
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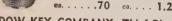
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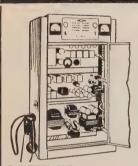
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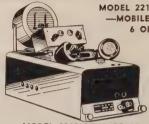
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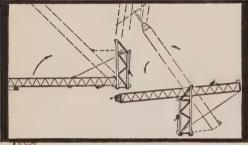
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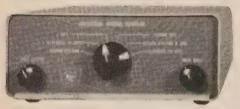
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Sideband [from page 87]

being two very interesting people with a b signal . . . Rod, WA4ACA, in Paris, Tennesse reecived a big, big welcome to sideband fro the WPX hunters. In fact, the pileup was s big one afternoon we thought sure a super-ra-DX station had made its appearance . . . How ard, W2UWT, kept us spellbound one qui evening on 20, revealing details of another his hobbies; the exchange of tape recordin via a club. He was kind enough to send us sample of some of his tapes, including a fog night near Puget Sound, a chorus of bullfros a cuckoo calling in a London bird preserve, as the drilling of a woodpecker. You've got hear these fascinating sounds to appreciate the and we're indebted to Howard for introducing this exciting hobby to us ... It's wonderful ho much you can learn through amateur radi Joe, K5SQS, kept us enthralled with his c tailed account of cotton growing on his plant tion in Alligator, Miss. Ask a few question and you get some mighty interesting and formative answers . . . It was a great pleasu to meet Ed, K4MO, of Largo, Fla. throu our mutual good friend, George, K4AV, w



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told us that Ed was one of the earliest pion on sideband, having built an s.s.b. rig ir early 1940's!

Anne, K4QDR, and Larry, W4HNW, bubbling over and justly proud of the fact their 15 year old son, Rusty, had been pointed a page in the U.S. Senate for the mainder of the current session . . . You banders in South Bend, Indiana, please an ear open for Harold, W5WAH, who's anxious to keep in touch with his best ga the University there. Harold's been scou all bands but no luck with South Bend yet One of the nice things about being an operator is that non-licensed XYLs are r apt to join the conversation when you're ting with their OMs. That's how we met "I XYL of Gene, K5JTW and it was most in esting to learn of her interest in and skill flower arrangements for which she's won n awards . . . His many friends will be happ learn of the whereabouts of Norm, ex-W AFX, who is now TF2WGE. According to buddy, John, WA2BJJ, Norm was "Mr. Meters" when he was stationed at the Broo Navy Yard and he was one of the most hel hams ever to steam into port . .

Frank, WA2OZZ/MM, requests that all C for the hams aboard the radar tracking American Mariner, be sent to the follow address: "American Mariner, PO Box 4 PAAGMRD, Patrick AF Base, Florida."

With the advent of the Thanksgiving sea we are truly thankful for the many friends have met and made in amateur radio and our wonderful hobby which is the key to w understanding.

73, Irv and Dore

RTTY [from page 109]

Illinois, and has built the Twin City TU. VE4BJ, his brother VE7YC, and t father VE6HQ, are all on RTTY, all Model 15's. (Is this an RTTY "first?") VE2 St. Jean, P.Q., has a de-noised Model 12, is now looking for a Model 12 keybo VE2HY is on 40 meters.

Comments

A novice from North Dakota writes to with the complaint that RTTYers have I operating inside the novice portion of the meter band. This we haven't heard, but s the novices are rock-bound, usually with rocks, we would like to suggest that RTT avoid getting on the high side of 7150 kc. the same token, we would like to suggest 20 meter RTTY operators stay below 14. ke to stay out of the way of foreign stati (Maybe then the Latin-American 'phone tions would stay above 14,100 kc?)

Post Script: Jack Pitts W6CQK, 1307 meda, Redwood City, California, still has some of those adjusted 255A polar relays (v socket) for only \$3.25, postpaid.

73, Byron, KØWMR, ex-W2.



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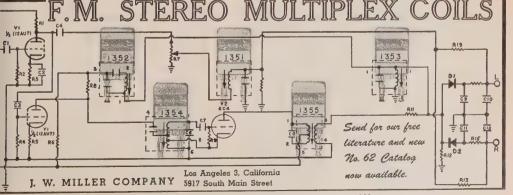
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Space [from page 89]

Gherman Titov. the world's newest spacer and his spaceship VOSTOK II, successfully entered the earth's atmosphere and lander a pre-designated spot in Russia on Augus after orbiting the earth 17 times.

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Several radio amateurs reported hearing jor Titov's voice on the 20,006 kc channe VOSTOK II orbited over North America.

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73, George, W32

ear at high school this fall.

Charles Beck, WV2RMP, 80 West Neck load, Huntington, L. I., N. Y. just celebrated is 12th birthday and has been on the air for months, earning RCC and a C.P. award for 5 w.p.m. His rig consists of a BC-312, home rew 50 watt transmitter feeding a 66' longire. Chuck can be found on either 7169 or 181 but watch out for his bug.

Jack Ekstrom, KN9BQL, 169 South River .oad, North Aurora, Ill., rushed a letter before is term expired. As you can see from the acompanying photograph, Jack tickles the ether



Neat layout at KN9BQL.

ith a DX-40, Drake 2B receiver and a 40 leter dipole up about 20 feet. He has a WAS f 35/32 but no DX to brag about. Jack SL's 100% and would like skeds for KN7 ontacts, on 40 meters.

Randy ?????, KN9DKU, 1605 Ridge Rd., reen Bay, Wis., is 12 and has a WAS of 1/36 to his credit, not to mention some choice X to the tune of 35 countries! Randy snagged all with an Apache and HQ-140XA and ould like to make skeds with KL7, Mont., la., Ky., Miss., N.D., S.D., and Nebr.

Warren Anderson, 1424 Quince St., Brained, Minn., hasn't taken the big step yet but e must be about ready for his letter requests formation on transmitter recommendations om readers, and what band to operate for gchews and DX.

Pat ????, WL7DYM, APO 728, Seattle, Vashington, invites skeds from DX hunters nd is on the air from 0400 to 0600 GMT perating on 7157. Pat runs a homebrew 6146 g and SX-101 receiver.

Ronnie Bramhall, KNØ Kansas City Dude, 413 Crawford, Wichita 17, Kansas, has been Novice for 2 months and has already picked a WAS of 34/31 out of 200 QSO's. Ron orks 40 and 15 when it is open and plans set for his General ticket this fall. He will red anyone for any reason and QSL's 100%. That flattens the file for another month. on't forget to keep those cards, letters and notos coming. BCNU. 73 De Don, W6TNS

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VHF [from page 107]

from Big Delta to Fairbanks). Spent the night with KL7BKB at Shaw Creek, 30 miles north of Big Delta and went through the agony of watching signals on every cotton picking Tychannel, including a good solid program from Edmonton. Just knew I should have been home, but no such luck. As for the age-old query, 'Where were the KL7's?', I still don't know of anyone besides myself more than slightly interested in 50 mc. Rumor has if that someone in the Bristol Bay (Naknek) area is on six, but I haven't been able to confirm it.) Get busy!

"Got several QSL cards from Bay area stations for 'phone contacts in May, but someonemust have been pulling their legs. Wish it was true, but no such luck. I'm still on 50.084 mcc.w. only.

"Due to two telephone calls last week from WA6DAW, Paul, just east of Los Angeles, am now watching for him and another affiliated station at 0400 GMT nightly. He is on 50. 140. Within the next couple of weeks, I hope to get my keyer back in operation and run the beacon as much as possible.

"Nothing else much in the line of news Still pounding nails into my house and building on that new final. Guess I'd better get this in the mail." Many thanks for the info, Jack, and keep us posted. Get that local crowd on v.h.f

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Thirty

Well, that just about wraps things up for another month. Let's hear from you next time, ch? Meanwhile start looking for OSCAR's HIs on 145.000 mc!

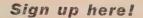
73, Bob, K2ZSO

YL [from page 111]

to budge when one most wants them to move? Anyway, WA6BWZ, Helen Ann Silveira, (with mike) looks quite pleased with her "RM" operating position — hi! Helen Ann is only 14 but she's had several years of operating, starting as a Novice at age 10 in '57. She got her General in '59 and works 80, 40 and 2, and is active in RACES. She likes c.w. better than phone and assists her Dad, K6DUU, in putting on code instruction twice a year on 1985 kh, a program sponsored by RACES, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts in the area. Helen Ann is in her sophomore year at El Capitan High where she plays flute in the marching band. Her prother is K6RAU, a soph at Fresno State, and at home all use the same gear. Though Helen Ann's Dad is a Ham, it was through Scouting hat she got interested and she hopes for much nore YL activity in the Merced area.

New YL Club

Welcome to the newest YL club - the Colorado YLs. KØEPE, Marte, tells us that at heir second organizational meeting in August hey had ten members. The September meeting was to be held in Boulder at QTH of KØBTV, Kay, where they planned to work out details or a club certificate. More on this later.



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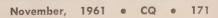
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Would-be hams need never feel they are "too young" to learn. Barbara Combs of Cincinnati is only 10 years old and has been operating as KN8ZUG since May '61. Using a DX-20 with Mohawk receiver, as of July Babs had 23 states and Canada confirmed. According to her Dad, K8NWV, Babs can copy code at 15 w.p.m., and she hopes to have her General by her 11th birthday. Look for KN8ZUG on 7180 and 21,135; she'd be especially glad of any western states or DX contacts.

Here and There

From W1ZEN we learn that W1YPG, Christine Sprague, became a Silent Key on August 11 following a heart attack. Christine was a member of WRONE and served on its executive board in '58.

K6BX sends the results of the CHC/HTH 1961 world-wide contest held the first week in June. Top world honors went to KøIKL, Joyce Polley, whose award was endorsed "high" for the world, North American continent, U.S.A., and Minnesota. Runners up to KøIKL were W5PSB, W5WZQ and W2SAW.

Clif also sends news of the Flying Hams' Club Award. This is actually a series of awards with many possibilities available, such as FHC for DX, Zones, WAS, Aero/mobile (in flight), Space, etc. For full data contact club secretary K6BX, Box 385, Bonita, Calif. Some YL members of FHC are W1SVN, W4UF, W4ZKD, W6QPI, K8OMH. Certificate appears on p. 12 of the Sept. 1961 issue of CO.

Tnx to K5TYN for news of the Carlsbad, 'N.M. picnic. Despite rain (first in three months), Betty says over 200 enjoyed the gettogether, sponsored by the Cavern City ARC on Aug. 20, including these LYs: W5's RFK (ex-DL4HO), DZB, GMG, OVH; K5's OHQ, YQG, DDS, GYZ, KOK, YOY, DPF, HNM, DAB, YTN, GSC; KN5KKP.

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Book Review

Troubleshooting Amateur Radio Equipment is the newest book off the presses of Howard Sams & Co. authored by Howard Sams & Co. authored by Howard S. "YB" Pyle, W70E. 128 pages and including schematic diagrams and photos, it sells for \$2.50. In his Preface 'YB" comments that the average ham often does not have the necessary equipment or background to perform intricate tests and repairs on his equipment. In this book he points out some of the causes of common troubles in him equipment and suggests home remedies that can be performed with a minimum of knowledge and test gear. Active in him radio for over 50 years, "YB's" first two books for Sams were ABC's of Ham Radio, and Building Up Your Ham Shack. A fourth, a preparation nanual for amateur license exams, will be eleased soon.

33, W5RZJ

Circuit Elements [from page 49]

r.h.f. because of lower inductive values and the ack of sliding contacts.

Inductors

Besides resistors and capacitors, radio circuits are filled with various types of inductances. In general, the inductance should have a high value of reactance in relation to its resistance. Also, the current carrying capacity and voltage break-lown rating must be considered.

For r.f. applications it is generally desirable of use high quality inductors. Besides having a high value of Q, the inductance should not change appreciably in value with temperature and humidity. This is usually accomplished by using good coil form material, wire wound to be mechanically stable, and the absence of wax or other material which may flow at higher

emperatures.

For power amplifiers, the coils are usually "air yound" to minimize heat, dielectic losses and interent capacitance. In some cases, they are silver lated to lower their inherent resistance. In hoosing or winding for this purpose, the marrial from which they are wound should not nly have low r.f. resistance but must be capable f carrying the heavy circulating currents without undue heating. It is considered good practice to use heavy enough material so that the coils ghtly loaded. To produce the best value of Q

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meter to coil length should be approximately in the ratios from 1 to 2—to 1 to 1.

General

For the amateur the choice of high quality conservatively rated components adds little to the overall cost. The use of marginal components not only leads to their failure but in so failing may ruin or damage several other valuable components. The constructor should therefore ask himself what else will fail if this component "blows"? In the matter of personal safety, such components as bleeder resistors, interlocks, etc., should be most carefully chosen.

Link 2365 and 2210 [from page 42] Summary

The 2210 and 2365 units are very similiar and the only point where there is a major difference in them is in the r.f., mixer and oscillator section of the front end. Figure 3 shows a partial schematic of the 2365 ed2a with the parts to be changed or removed identified.

Since the operations are essentially the same as in the 2210, they are not elaborated on Minor differences will be noted between the 2365 and the later editions such as the ed2a and the ed3. If you happen to get a model other than the ed2a, a good rule of thumb to follow is to replace the discriminator load resistors with matched 470,000 ohm units, remove all loading resistors across the i.f. transformers and remove all bypass capacitors which are connected from the discriminator output to ground before the volume control and all resistors appearing in series with the audio between the discriminator output and the volume control with the exception of a 100,000 ohm isolation resistor.

For the purist, I would like to point out that while the manufacturers refer to these units as "Frequency Modulated Transmitter-Receiver Units" and I have likewise referred to them in that manner, still, strictly speaking, they and virtually all other crystal controlled f.m. transmitters on the market are not frequency modulated but phase modulated which produces both phase and amplitude modulation. The amplitude modulation is effectively wiped out by the succeeding multiplier stages which are driven into plate saturation with the result that the final output is effectively frequency modulated.

These units can be bought for various prices from some gas and taxi companies who operate on a basis where they change their equipment after it reaches a certain age. They may also be bought on the open market where the transmitters have been reconditioned to meet FCC requirements and with crystals and antenna furnished for your frequency.

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will give excellent service.

iemiconductors [from page 104]

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Because of the long-winded dissertation earlier, we are running a bit short of space. The new product announcements will be saved for next month.

73, de Don, W6TNS

Correction

In the Semiconductor column for September 1961, (page 89), transistors Q_2 , Q_3 , and Q_4 were incorrectly identified. The proper designations for these transistors are as follows: Q_2 -2N223, Q_3 -2N223, Q_4 -2N226. Our apologies.

Transistor Amps [from page 52]

reactive load, the two capacitors may be separated. Alternatively, a small air trimmer may be placed across the output coil after naving first of all removed a turn or two to compensate for the increased C.

Coupling to the Load.

The load should be correctly matched to the coil. Tap the output lead as far down the coil is possible consistent with highest output. This is true also of the oscillator and final collector aps. If the taps are too high, the *Q* of the circuits is considerably reduced and harmonics are radiated.

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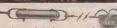
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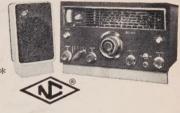
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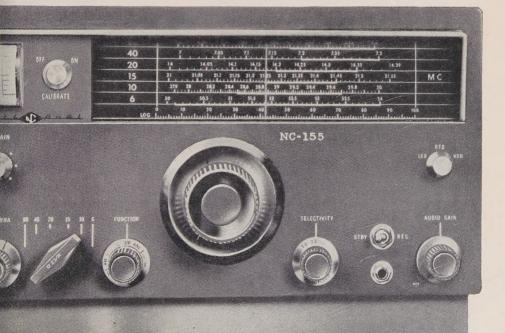
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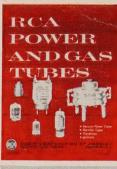


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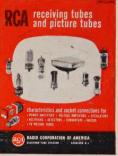
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